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APPROVAL—CANAL LAND LEASE EXECUTED BY THE  
STATE OF OHIO TO ONE M. S. BERNARD OF CHILLI-  
COTHE, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 23, 1937.

HON. CARL G. WAHL, *Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus,  
Ohio.*

DEAR SIR: You recently submitted for my examination and approval a canal land lease in triplicate executed by you in your official capacity as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said department to one M. S. Bernard of Chillicothe, Ohio.

By this lease, which is one for a stated term of fifteen years and which provides for an annual rental of \$7.50, there is leased and demised to the lessee above named the right to occupy and use for residence and agricultural purposes that portion of the abandoned Ohio Canal property, including the full width of the bed and banks thereof, located in Union Township, Ross County, Ohio, which is described as follows:

Beginning at the southerly line of Deer Creek, same being at or near station 3924+93, of W. H. Heiby's Survey of said canal property, and running thence southerly with the lines of said canal property, one thousand (1,000') feet, more or less, as measured along the transit line of said survey to a point, same being at or near station 3934+93 of said survey and containing two and five-tenths (2.5) acres, more or less.

Upon examination of this lease, which is executed by you under your general authority as successor to the power, authority and duties of the Board of Public Works and under the more special authority conferred by an Act of the 79th General Assembly enacted June 7, 1911, 102 O. L., 293, I find that the lease has been properly executed by you in your official capacity above stated and by M. S. Bernard, the lessee therein named. I further find upon examination of this lease that the terms and provisions thereof and the conditions and restrictions therein contained are in conformity with said Act and with other statutory provisions relating to leases of this kind. I am accordingly approving this lease, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the lease and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY,  
*Attorney General.*