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APPROVAL—CANAL LAND LEASE EXECUTED BY THE  
STATE OF OHIO TO ONE FRANK HESTER OF CIRCLE-  
VILLE, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 17, 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 as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said department to one Frank Hester of Circleville, 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 residential and agricultural purposes that portion of the abandoned Ohio Canal property, including the full width of the bed and banks thereof, located in Circleville Township, Pickaway County, Ohio, and described as follows:

Beginning at or near Station 24+21.5 of the W. O. Sanzenbacher Survey of said canal property, and running thence northerly with the lines of said canal property, five hundred (500') feet, more or less, to Station 29+21.5 and containing eighty-two hundredths (0.82) of an acre, more or less, excepting therefrom that portion of said canal property as sold to The Norfolk & Western Railroad Company in 1911.

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 Frank Hester, 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.*