appropriation of the necessary property rights involved in this proposed improvement.

There is attached to this contract a photostatic copy of the resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Cuyahoga County pertaining to this contract.

After examination, it is my opinion that said proposed contract is in proper legal form and constitutes a binding agreement between the State of Ohio, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company and Cuyahoga County.

I have, therefore, endorsed my approval thereon and am returning the same, together with the photostatic copy of the resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Cuyahoga County to you.

Respectfully,

Herbert S. Duffy,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL — CONTRACT AND BOND, STATE OF OHIO, THROUGH DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE, FOR OHIO REFORMATORY FOR WOMEN, MARYSVILLE, OHIO, WITH WICKES BOILER COMPANY, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION, CERTAIN DESCRIBED BOILER, STOKER, ETC. TOTAL EXPENDITURE, \$17,654.00.

Социмвия, Онто, Мау 23, 1938.

Hon. Margaret M. Allman, Director, Department of Public Welfare, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR MADAM: You have submitted for my approval a contract by and between Wickes Boiler Company of Saginaw, Michigan, and the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Welfare, for the Ohio Reformatory for Women, Marysville, Ohio, for the construction and completion of One Wickes 350 H.P. Boiler with Welded Drums, One Westinghouse Stoker, forced draft, with motor driven Clarage fan, Diamond Soot Blowers, S & C feed water regulator, breeching for connecting up new boiler to old breeching, and Masonry as shown on print 36242 H. 92, as per specifications submitted on April 1, 1938, which contract calls for the total expenditure of seventeen thousand six hundred and fifty-four dollars (\$17, 654.00).

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You have also submitted the following papers and documents in this connection: Encumbrance record No. 3, the estimate of cost, the division of contract, notice to bidders, the proof of publication, workmen's compensation certificate showing the contractor having complied with the laws of Ohio relating to compensation, the form of proposal containing the contract bond signed by the Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company, its power of attorney for the signer, its financial statement and its certificate of compliance with the laws of Ohio relating to surety companies, letter of certification from the Auditor of State showing that the necessary papers and documents are on file in said office, approval of the Controlling Board, certificate of the Secretary of State, certified copy of resolution of the Board of Directors of the Wickes Boiler Company granting the authority for the signers of the contract for Wickes Boiler Company, and the tabulation of bids received on this project.

Finding said contract and bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith to you, together with all other documents submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL—BONDS, AUSTINBURG TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, ASHTABULA COUNTY, OHIO, \$77,000,00, DATED FERUARY 1, 1938.

Columbus, Ohio, May 23, 1938.

Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio. Gentlemen:

RE: Bonds of Austinburg Twp., Rural School Dist., Ashtabula County, Ohio, \$77,000.00 (Unlimited).

I have examined the transcript of proceedings relative to the above bonds purchased by you. These bonds comprise all of an issue of school building and equipment bonds dated February 1, 1938, bearing interest at the rate of $3\frac{1}{4}\%$ per annum.

From this examination, in the light of the law under authority of which these bonds have been authorized, I am of the opinion that bonds