

parcels of land covered by the present lease, and in and over which the company is to lay and maintain its gas pipes, has been designated by the state highway director as lands to be used for highway purposes under the authority granted to him by section 2 of the act of April 19, 1929, providing for the lease or sale of abandoned Hocking Canal lands.

In this situation, no reason is perceived why this lease, which calls for an annual rental of two hundred and eighty-six dollars, should not be approved; and the same is accordingly herewith approved by me as to legality and form, and the same is herewith returned with the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof with my approval endorsed thereon.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,  
*Attorney General.*

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APPROVAL: TWO CANAL LAND LEASES IN THE VILLAGE OF LOCKBOURNE, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, AND HAMLET OF OMEGA, PIKE COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 17, 1932.

HON T. S. BRINDLE, *Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—By a recent communication directed to me, you have submitted for my examination and approval two canal land leases, executed by you as superintendent of public works, by which you have leased and demised to one Walter Rush and to S. W. Jones, respectively, certain parcels of abandoned Ohio Canal lands located respectively in the village of Lockbourne, Franklin County, Ohio, and in the hamlet of Omega, Pike County, Ohio, which parcels of canal lands are more particularly described in said lease instruments.

Upon examination of these leases, each of which is for a term of fifteen years and each of which provides for an annual rental of six per cent of the appraised value of the parcel of land leased, I find that the same have been executed by you and by the respective lessees therein named in the manner required by law, and that the terms and provisions of said leases are in conformity with statutory provisions relating to canal land leases. These leases are accordingly approved by me as to legality and form, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the leases and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,  
*Attorney General.*