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APPROVAL—CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE GESLING PLUMBING COMPANY OF LANCASTER, OHIO, AND THE STATE OF OHIO FOR PLUMBING WORK ON THE ADDITION TO HOWARD HALL AT OHIO UNIVERSITY, ATHENS, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, November 10, 1937.

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

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my approval a contract by and between the Gesling Plumbing Company of Lancaster, Ohio, and the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Works for the Board of Trustees of Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, for the plumbing work on the project known as Addition to Howard Hall, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, as set forth in Item 26, which contract calls for a total expenditure of fifteen thousand one hundred and ninety dollars (\$15,190.00).

Attached to each contract is the certificate of the Athens National Bank and the Bank of Athens, N. B. A., certifying that the necessary funds are on deposit in said banks to meet the estimates under this contract.

You have also submitted the following papers: The division of contract, the estimate of cost, the notice to bidders, the proof of publication, the workmen's compensation certificate of the contractor, recommendations of the State Architect, Director of Public Works and Board of Trustees of Ohio University, the tabulation of bids, the letter of certification from the Auditor of State stating that the necessary documents are on file in said office, the form of proposal containing the contract bond executed by the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, the power of attorney of its signer, the financial statement of the surety and the certificate of the Superintendent of Insurance that the surety has qualified with the Department of Insurance to transact the business of suretyship in Ohio.

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 the pertinent papers submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY, Attorney General.