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APPROVAL—CONTRACT FOR GENERAL WORK FOR PROJECT KNOWN AS COUNTY HIGHWAY GARAGE, MT. VERNON, OHIO, \$20,636.00, MASSACHUSETTS BONDING AND INSURANCE COMPANY, SURETY—SKILKEN BROS. INC., COLUMBUS, OHIO, CONTRACTOR.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 24, 1936.

HON. CARL G. WAHL, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir: You have submitted for my approval, a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Works, for the Department of Highways, and Skilken Bros., Inc., Columbus, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of contract for General Work for a project known as County Highway Garage, Mt. Vernon, Ohio, in accordance with Item No. 1 and Item No. 5 (Alt. G-1) of the form of proposal dated August 7, 1936. Said contract calls for an expenditure of twenty thousand six hundred and thirty-six dollars (\$20,-636.00.).

You have submitted the certificate of the Director of Finance to the effect that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated, in a sum sufficient to cover the obligations of the contract. You have also submitted certificates of the Controlling Board showing that said board has released funds for this project, in accordance with Section 8 of House Bill No. 531 of the regular session of the 91st General Assembly.

In addition, you have submitted a contract bond upon which the Massachusetts Bonding and Insurance Company appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

You have further submitted evidence indicating that plans were properly prepared and approved, notice to bidders was properly given, bids tabulated as required by law, and the contract duly awarded. Also it appears that the laws relating to the status of surety companies and the workmen's compensation have been complied with.

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 data submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,

John W. Bricker,
Attorney General.