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CONTRACT — STATE WITH E. KEELER COMPANY, CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION, 1 - 300 H. P. WATER TUBE BOILER AND STOKER, GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, DELAWARE.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 31, 1939.

HON. CHARLES L. SHERWOOD, *Director, Department of Public Welfare, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my consideration and approval a contract between The State of Ohio, acting through you as Director of the Department of Public Welfare, and E. Keeler Company, a Pennsylvania Corporation, for the construction and completion of 1 - 300 H. P. Water Tube Boiler and Stoker complete with brickwork as per specifications of the Department of Public Welfare for Girls' Industrial School, Delaware, Ohio. This contract is in the sum of \$14,418.00.

You have submitted the following papers in this connection: Estimate of cost; notice to bidders; proof of publication; contract encumbrance record No. 31; Workmen's Compensation Certificate showing a compliance with the laws of Ohio relating to Workmen's Compensation; division of contract; tabulation of bids; Emergency Board's Release; Certificate of Secretary of State, showing that E. Keeler Company is qualified to do business in Ohio; form of proposal containing the contract bond signed by the United States Guaranty Company; its power of attorney for the signer; its certificate of compliance showing a compliance with the laws of Ohio relating to surety companies.

I find from an examination of bid tabulation sheet that L. E. Stevens Company is the lowest bidder, however, you have advised me that the bid was irregular in form and substance and has been rejected and I find that the facts so warrant your action in the premises.

Finding said contract in proper legal form, I have noted my approval thereon, and same is hereby approved and all papers submitted in this connection are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

THOMAS J. HERBERT,

Attorney General.