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abandoned Hocking Canal lands hereinabove noted, subject to the approval of the Governor and the Attorney General and subject further to the condition that such canal lands are not needed for state highway purposes. As to this, it appears from the transcripts submitted that these parcels of land have not been designated by the Director of Highways for highway purposes and that they are not and will not be needed for such purposes. In this situation, and since it further appears by appropriate findings made by you in connection with the sale of these parcels that the same cannot be leased so as to bring in an annual rental of six per cent of the appraised value of the property, it follows that you are authorized to sell this property, and that since in each instance the appraised value of the parcel of land sold is less than the sum of \$500.00 you are authorized to sell said several parcels at private sale, subject to the approval of the other officers above named.

I am accordingly approving the sale of all of the state's right, title and interest in and to the parcels of canal lands here in question and the transcripts of your proceedings relating to such sale, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the transcripts and upon the duplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL—FOUR TRANSCRIPTS OF PROCEEDINGS RE-LATING TO SALE OF ABANDONED HOCKING CANAL LANDS IN BERNE TOWNSHIP, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO, TO C. AND O. RAILWAY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, November 9, 1936.

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

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval transcripts, four in number, relating to the sale by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said Department of certain parcels of abandoned Hocking Canal lands in Berne Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, which you are selling at private sale to The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company.

These parcels of abandoned canal lands, designated with respect to location, acreage and valuation, are the following:

		Appraised
Location	Acreage	Valuation
Sec. 21, Tp. 14 N., R. 18 W.	.428	\$ 43.00
Secs .21, 28, Tp. 14 N., R. 18 W.	1.165	120.00
Sec. 28, Tp. 14 N., R. 18 W.	.276	28.00
Sec. 33, Tp. 14 N., R. 18 W.	.025	25.00
Sec. 33, Tp. 14 N., R. 18 W.	.712	72.00

These parcels of abandoned Hocking Canal lands are being sold by you as Superintendent of Public Works under the authority of an act of the 88th General Assembly, 113 O. L., 521, and of section 13971, General Code, referred to and made a part of said act. Under this act of the legislature and section 13971, General Code, you are authorized to sell the parcels of land here in question, subject to the approval of the Governor and the Attorney General and subject to the further condition that the property is not needed for highway purposes. As to this, it appears that this property is not needed for highway purposes and has not been designated by the Director of Highways for such purposes within the time prescribed in said act. In view of this fact and of the further fact that the appraised valuation of each of these parcels of land is less than \$500.00, you are authorized to sell this property at private sale, subject to the approval of the officers above named.

Upon the consideration above noted, I am approving the sale of this property and the several transcripts of your proceedings relating to the sale of the same, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the transcripts and upon the duplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith returned to you.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL—TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO SALE OF HOCKING CANAL LANDS IN GOOD HOPE TOWNSHIP, HOCKING COUNTY, OHIO, TO C. AND O. RAILWAY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, November 9, 1936.

Hon. Carl G. Wahl, Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: You recently forwarded to me for my examination and approval a transcript of your proceedings relating to the sale of two