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bond upon which the Globe Indemnity Company of New York 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 Act 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,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

2623.

SYNTHETIC METHYL ALCOHOL—SALE OF—REQUIREMENTS TO BE MET.

SYLLABUS:

Synthetic methyl alcohol which has the same chemical properties, the same poisonous effect, substantially the same odor as methyl alcohol, and which is not colorless, may be sold under the provisions of Section 12708-1,-2,-3 and -4 of the General Code, when labeled "Wood Alcohol" as therein provided.

Columbus, Ohio, December 4, 1930.

State Board of Pharmacy, Columbus, Ohio.

GENTLEMEN: -Your letter of recent date is as follows:

"Under date of November 25, 1930, you rendered to this department Opinion No. 2585, with reference to Completely Denatured Alcohol, Wood Alcohol and Synthetic Methyl Alcohol.

We find in our request for the above mentioned opinion, we state that Synthetic Methyl Alcohol would not be classed as Methyl Alcohol. In addition to the opinion already rendered, we would respectfully request you give us an opinion upon the following:

If Synthetic Methyl Alcohol is found to have the same chemical properties and substantially the same odor, as Methyl Alcohol or Wood Alcohol, and is not colorless, and has the same poisonous effect in every respect, can it then be sold as Wood Alcohol under the requirements of Sections 12703-2,-3 and -4 of the General Code of Ohio?"

The holding of Opinion No. 2586, to which you refer, to the effect that synthetic methyl alcohol may not be sold in Ohio under the exceptions provided in Sections 12708-1,-2,-3 and -4, General Code, was predicated upon the information that synthetic methyl alcohol could not be classed as methyl alcohol.

It is my view that the process of manufacture is not a determining factor in the consideration of the specific question which you present and if a substance is produced which is chemically the same as methyl alcohol and has substantially the same characteristics as methyl alcohol, although not produced by the same process as methyl

alcohol, the sale of such substance under the provisions of these sections when labeled "Wood Alcohol" would not be violative thereof.

In specific answer to your inquiry, it is my opinion that synthetic methyl alcohol which has the same chemical properties, the same poisonous effect, substantially the same odor as methyl alcohol and which is not colorless, may be sold under the provisions of Section 12708-1,-2,-3 and -4 of the General Code, when labeled "Wood Alcohol" as therein provided.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

2624.

APPROVAL, DEED FORM CONVEYING MIAMI AND ERIE CANAL LAND IN CINCINNATI, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO, TO WAYMOUTH FINN.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 4, 1930.

Hon. A. T. Connar, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—This is to acknowledge the receipt of your recent communication submitting for my examination and approval a deed form to be executed by the Governor, conveying to one Waymouth Finn, of Cincinnati, Ohio, Parcel No. 111, of surplus Miami and Erie canal lands heretofore relinquished by the city of Cincinnati to the State of Ohio, pursuant to the authority of an act passed by the 87th General Assembly April 20, 1927 (112 O. L. 210). Said parcel of land, which is to be conveyed to the grantee above named for the consideration of the sum of \$90.00, by him paid, is more particularly described as follows:

"A tract of land in the city of Cincinnati, Section No. 21, Millcreek Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, lying southwest of and adjacent to Lot No. 41 of Isaac Bates' Heirs Subdivision of Lot No. 334 lying between Sassafras Street and Lillard Street and bounded and described as follows: Beginning in the easterly line of Central Parkway at the intersection of the extension of the south line of said Lot No. 41, thence east 26 feet more or less along the said extension of the south line of said Lot No. 41 to the easterly state line of the Miami and Eric Canal land, thence northwestwardly 47.30 feet along said easterly state line to the west line of said Lot No. 41 at a point 162.09 feet south of the south line of Lillard Street, thence south 15 feet more or less along the extension of the west line of said Lot No. 41 to the easterly line of Central Parkway, thence southwardly 24 feet more or less along the easterly line of Central Parkway to the place of beginning and being part of Miami and Eric Canal State land and containing approximately 500 square feet."

Upon examination of the provisions of said deed form, I find the same to be in conformity with the provisions of said act of the Legislature and with other statutory provisions relating to deeds executed by the Governor on behalf of the state,