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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND LOUIS CRANO, INC., OF AKRON, OHIO, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF THE RECONSTRUCTING CULVERT UNDER THE OHIO AND ERIE CANAL AT MUD RUN, BARBERTON, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$4,698.30—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY OF BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 19, 1932.

HON. T. S. BRINDLE, *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, and Louis Crano, Inc., of Akron, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of the Reconstructing Culvert under the Ohio and Erie Canal at Mud Run, Barberton, Ohio, in accordance with the form of proposal dated August 8, 1932. Said contract calls for an expenditure of four thousand six hundred and ninety-eight dollars and thirty cents (\$4,698.30).

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 evidence that the Controlling Board and Emergency Board have released moneys for this contract, as required by Section 8 of House Bill No. 624 of the 89th General Assembly. In addition, you have submitted a contract bond upon which the Maryland Casualty Company of Baltimore, Maryland, 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.