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## APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND THE GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY OF SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK, FOR TURBO GENERATOR UNIT FOR OHIO PENITENTIARY, CO-LUMBUS, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$67,000.00. SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE NATIONAL UNION INDEMNITY COM-PANY.

## COLUMBUS, OHIO, November 17, 1931.

HON. JOHN McSweeney, Director of Public Welfare, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Welfare (Ohio Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio) and the General Electric Company of Schenectady, New York. This contract covers the construction and completion of a 3000 KW 80% P. F. Turbo Generator Unit for the Ohio Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio, in accordance with the form of proposal dated October 16, 1931. Said contract calls for an expenditure of sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$67,000.00).

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 furnished evidence to the effect that the consent and approval of the Controlling Board to the expenditure have been obtained as required by Section 8 of House Bill 624 of the 89th General Assembly. In addition, you have submitted a contract bond, upon which the National Union Indemnity 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. A certificate of the Secretary of State shows that the contracting foreign corporation is authorized to do business in Ohio.

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.

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## APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND OF EDWARD W. STRONG, IN VINTON COUNTY, OHIO.

## COLUMBUS, OHIO, November 18, 1931.

HON. CARL E. STEEB, Secretary, Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—Recently, Opinion No. 3559 was directed to you analyzing the abstract of title and papers relating to the proposed purchase of a 3393 acre