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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND JOS. L. SKELDON ENGINEERING COMPANY, TOLEDO, OHIO, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FOUR BOILERS AND STOKERS FOR INSTITUTION FOR FEEBLE MINDED, COLUMBUS, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$60,638.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 9, 1928.

HON. JOHN E. HARPER, *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, (Institution for Feeble Minded), and Jos. L. Skeldon Engineering Company, of Toledo, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of Four Boilers and Stokers and Brickwork complete, for Institution for Feeble Minded, Columbus, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of sixty thousand six hundred and thirty-eight dollars (\$60,638.00).

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 has been obtained as required by Section 12 of House Bill No. 502 of the 87th General Assembly. In addition you have submitted a contract bond upon which the United States Fidelity and Guaranty 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.

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,

EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

2436.

APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND OF R. O. ELSEA AND OTHERS, IN BENTON AND MIFFLIN TOWNSHIPS, PIKE COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 10, 1928.

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

DEAR SIR:—There has been submitted to this department a corrected abstract of title of certain lands situated in Benton and Mifflin Townships, Pike County, Ohio, owned by one Creighton R. Elsea in his lifetime, and which are more particularly described in Opinion No. 2337 of this department addressed to you under date of July 10, 1928, in connection with my examination of the original abstract submitted to this department.

Additional information furnished and made a part of the corrected abstract of title has obviated the more fundamental objections noted by me in the former opinion above referred to.

From my examination of the corrected abstract of title submitted, I am of the opinion that R. O. Elsea, Sam C. Elsea and Grace L. Barnhart have a good and inde-