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but not included in the application of any person entitled to priority, and likewise abandoned canal property lying outside the corporate limits of any municipality, may be leased by the Superintendent of Public Works, who shall appraise such tracts at their true value in money for any purpose for which they can be used, and that the annual rental shall be six per cent of such appraisement.

Upon examination of this lease, I find that the same has been properly executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and by Earl R. Ames, the lessee therein named. And, finding further that the provisions of this lease and the conditions and restrictions therein contained are in conformity with the above noted and other statutory provisions relating to leases of this kind, I am approving this lease as to legality and form, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the lease and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

John W. Bricker,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL—CANAL LAND LEASE TO LANDS IN STARR TOWNSHIP, HOCKING COUNTY, OHIO—EUGENE C. CHESHER, NELSONVILLE, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 13, 1936.

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

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval a canal land lease in triplicate, executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said Department, to one Eugene C. Chesher of Nelsonville, Ohio.

By this lease, which is one for a stated term of fifteen years and which provides for an annual rental of \$9.00, there is leased and demised to the lessee above named certain tracts of abandoned Hocking Canal lands in Starr Township, Hocking County, Ohio, which are more particularly described in said lease and which aggregate 2.7 acres.

The lease is executed under the authority conferred upon you as Superintendent of Public Works by House Bill No. 417 enacted by the 88th General Assembly, April 19, 1929, 113 O. L., 521. The lease appears to have been executed in conformity to the provisions of this act and of Sections 13965, et seq., of the General Code, which are referred to in said

act and made applicable to leases of Hocking Canal lands which have been abandoned for canal purposes by said act.

Upon examiniation of the lease, it appears that the same has been properly executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and by Eugene C. Chesher, the lessee herein named. Finding, as I do, that the provisions of this lease and the conditions and restrictions therein contained are in conformity with the above noted and other statutory provisions relating to leases of this kind, I am approving this lease as to legality and form, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed thereon and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL—LEASE TO CANAL LAND IN MORGAN TOWN-SHIP, SCIOTO COUNTY, OHIO—HAL W. GOODMAN AND EVA GOODMAN OF PORTSMOUTH, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 14, 1936.

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

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval a canal land lease in triplicate, executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works to Hal W. Goodman and Eva Goodman of Portsmouth, Ohio.

By this lease, which is one for a term of fifteen years and which provides for an annual rental of six dollars, there is leased and demised to the lessees above named the right to occupy and use for residential and agricultural purposes that portion of the abandoned Ohio Canal lands located in Morgan Township, Scioto County, Ohio, which is more particularly described as being the full width of the bed and embankments of said canal property, beginning at Station 2067, and running thence southwesterly with the lines of said canal property 100 feet to Station 2068, and containing 11,500 square feet of land, more or less.

This lease is one executed by you under the authority of an act of the 79th General Assembly providing for the abandonment of the Ohio Canal from Buckeye Lake to Portsmouth and for the sale and lease of parcels of the canal land so abandoned. 102 O. L., 293. Upon examination of this lease, I find the same to be in conformity with this act of