Upon examination of this lease which in executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said Department under the authority conferred upon you by the provisions of the DeArmond Act, 114 O. L., 546, 552, I find that said lease has been properly executed by you in your official capacity acting for and on behalf of the state of Ohio, and by the lessee therein named. I further find that the provisions of this lease and the conditions and restrictions therein contained are in conformity with the act of the legislature above noted and with other statutory provisions relating to leases of this kind.

I am accordingly 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 enclosed.

Respectfully,

John W. Bricker, Attorney General.

6497.

APPROVAL—TWO CANAL LAND LEASES TO LAND IN MADISON TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO—WALTER KESSLER AND JACOB HAMLER.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 11, 1936.

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

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval two canal land leases in triplicate executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said Department to the several lessees therein named. By these leases there are leased and demised certain parcels of abandoned Ohio Canal lands located in Madison Township, Franklin County, Ohio; and designated with respect to the names of the several lessees, the more particular locations of the lands leased and the annual rentals therein reserved, are:

LesseeLocationRentalWalter KesslerStation 2185 to Station 2192+75\$ 9.00Jacob HamlerFrom west line Walnut Street SW 200 feet 12.00

Each of these leases is for a term of fifteen years with the privilege in the grantee of renewing the lease for a like term upon expiration of the lease granted. For reasons assigned in previous opinions touching this 1742 OPINIONS

question, these leases are approved only as leases for a term of fifteen years.

Although it does not appear from the provisions of these leases by way of recitals therein or otherwise, I assume that they have been executed by you under the authority of the act of 1911, 102 O. L., 293, the provisions of which have been carried into the General Code as sections 14203-12, et seq. Upon examination of the provisions of these leases and of the conditions and restrictions therein contained, I find that except as to the provision with respect to the renewal of these leases, the same are in conformity with the provisions of said act and of other statutory provisions relating to leases of this kind. And inasmuch as I find that the leases have been properly executed by the state, acting through you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said Department, and by the lessees above named, I am approving the leases as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the leases and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

John W. Bricker, Attorney General.

6498.

APPROVAL—BONDS OF CITY OF BEDFORD, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO, \$136,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 11, 1936.

Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.

6499.

APPROVAL—TWO CANAL LAND LEASES TO LAND IN NEW-COMERSTOWN, TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO—ROY D. HILDEBRAND AND FRANK W. WISE.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 11, 1936.

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

DEAR SIR: This is to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of recent date with which you submit to me for my examination and approval two canal land leases in triplicate in and by which the State of Ohio,