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APPROVAL, FOUR CONTRACTS BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND THE WESPISER LUMBER COMPANY, OF OXFORD, OHIO. FIRST CONTRACT COVERS COMPLETION OF FOUNDATIONS FOR THREE 333 H. P. BOILERS AND STOKER EQUIPMENT TO BE INSTALLED IN POWER PLANT, MIAMI UNIVERSITY, OXFORD, OHIO, AT COST OF \$2,124.00. THE SECOND CONTRACT COVERS REMOVAL OF FOUR 66 INCH x 16 FT. H. R. T. BOILERS FROM POWER PLANT, MIAMI UNIVERSITY, AT COST OF \$700.00, PLUS \$10.00 PER THOUSAND FOR GOOD OLD BRICK CLEANED AND STACKED. THE THIRD CONTRACT COVERS ALTERATIONS TO BATTERY SETTING OF TWO PRESENT 72 INCH x 18 FT. H. R. T. BOILERS TO ACCOMMODATE STOKERS AT MIAMI UNIVERSITY, AT COST OF \$520.00; AND FOURTH CONTRACT COVERS CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF FOUNDATION FOR TWO ENGINE-GENERATOR UNITS, TO BE INSTALLED IN POWER PLANT, MIAMI UNIVERSITY, AT COST OF \$1,427.00, AND AN ADDITIONAL COST OF \$13.00 PER CUBIC YARD FOR CONCRETE.—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY H. HALTER AND FRANK HALTER.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 17, 1924.

HON. L. A. BOULAY, *Director, Department of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

Dear Sir:—

You have submitted for my approval four contracts between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works, and the Wespiser Lumber Company, of Oxford, Ohio. The first of these contracts covers the completion of foundations for three 333 H. P. Boilers and Stoker Equipment to be installed in Power plant, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$2,124.00. The second contract covers the removal of four 66 inch x 16 feet H. R. T. Boilers from the Power Plant, Miami University, and calls for an expenditure of \$700.00, plus \$10.00 per thousand for good old brick cleaned and stacked. The third contract covers the alterations to battery setting of two present 72 inch x 18 ft. H. R. T. Boilers to accommodate stokers, Miami University, and calls for an expenditure of \$520.00; and the fourth contract covers the construction and completion of the foundations for two engine-generator units, to be installed in the Power Plant, Miami University and calls for an expenditure of \$1,427.00, and an additional cost of \$13.00 per cubic yard for concrete.

You have submitted the certificates 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 contracts. There has further been submitted a contract bond upon which H. Halter and Frank Halter appear as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contracts.

You have further submitted evidence indicating that plans were properly prepared and approved, informal bids were taken and tabulated as required by law and the contracts duly awarded. Also it appears that the law relating to the status of the workmen's compensation have been complied with.

Finding said contracts 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,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney General.