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APPROVAL—CONTRACT FOR SWITCHBOARD FOR OHIO STATE REFORMATORY OF MANSFIELD, OHIO, \$6,350.00, AETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY, SURETY—IDEAL ELECTRIC AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, MANSFIELD, OHIO, CONTRACTOR.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 25, 1936.

HON. MARGARET M. ALLMAN, *Director of Public Welfare, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR MADAM: You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Welfare, and the Ideal Electric and Manufacturing Company, Mansfield, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of Switchboard for Ohio State Reformatory of Mansfield, Ohio, in accordance with the Form of Proposal dated April 4, 1936. Said contract calls for an expenditure of six thousand three hundred and fifty dollars (\$6,350.00).

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. In addition, you have submitted a contract bond upon which the Aetna Casualty and Surety 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,

JOHN W. BRICKER,
Attorney General.