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APPROVAL—LEASE TO LANDS IN JACKSON TOWNSHIP, MUSKINGUM COUNTY, OHIO, FOR PIPE LINE PURPOSES—OHIO FUEL GAS COMPANY, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 2, 1936.

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

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval a lease executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of this Department, acting on behalf of the state of Ohio, to The Ohio Fuel Gas Company, of 99 North Front Street, Columbus, Ohio. This lease is one for a stated term of fifteen years and by its provisions there are leased and demised to the lessee above named certain lands in Jackson Township, Muskingum County, Ohio, which are to be used by said lessee for pipe line purposes.

The parcel of land covered by this lease is a part of the Ohio Canal lands abandoned for canal purposes by an act of the 79th General Assembly, enacted under date of June 7, 1911, 102 O. L., 293. This act, read in connection with Section 464, General Code, authorizes you as Superintendent of Public Works to execute this lease which I find to be in conformity with the provisions of said act and with other related statutory provisions.

This lease provides for the payment of an annual rental of $15.00, which is six percent of the appraised value of the property covered by the lease and which is in conformity with this and other laws relating to the execution of canal land leases.

The lease has been properly executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of this Department, acting for and on behalf of the state of Ohio, and by The Ohio Fuel Gas Company, the lessee therein named, acting by the hand of T. H. Kerr, Vice President of the company, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors adopted November 8, 1935.

I am accordingly approving the lease, 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.