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CONTRACT—STATE WITH E. ELFORD & SON, CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION, DIVISION 1—ITEMS 1 TO 15 INCLUSIVE, WOMEN'S DORMITORIES, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, March 20, 1939.

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

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my approval the general contract by and between E. Elford & Son, an unincorporated company, of Columbus, Ohio, and the State of Ohio, acting through you as Director of the Department of Public Works for the Board of Trustees of Ohio State University, for the construction and completion of (Division 1—Items 1 to 15 inclusive) for the Women's Dormitories on the campus of the Ohio State University, as set forth and covered in the form of proposal dated February 16, 1939; said general contract calls for an expenditure of \$265,857.00.

You have submitted the following papers and documents in this connection: Tabulation of bids; Division of contract; Workmen's Compensation certificate, indicating compliance on the part of the contractor with the laws relating to workmen's compensation; Notice to bidders, and Proof of Publication; Form of proposal containing contract bond signed by the National Surety Company, together with certificate of compliance of Division of Insurance setting forth the fact that the surety company has complied with the insurance laws relating to surety companies; Copy of all official proceedings of the board of Trustees of Ohio State University, which proceedings set forth the approval of PWA; Recommendation of the University Architect and recommendation of the University cabinet. Said proceedings set forth in detail the financial structure of this project in that the construction will be financed through the provisions of Senate Bill No. 492 (92nd General Assembly) and a grant from the Public Works Administration and that in pursuance to Senate Bill No. 492 and with the approval of former Attorney General Herbert S. Duffy, in an opinion rendered November 1, 1938, the project will be financed by a bond issue, and said bonds are to be purchased by the Ohio State Teachers Retirement System.

Finding said contract in proper legal form, I have noted my approval thereon, and am returning all papers and documents herewith.

Respectfully,

THOMAS J. HERBERT,
Attorney General.