

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,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND WEBSTER-ROCKTON, COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR PLUMBING AND HEATING FOR GARAGE FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, PAINESVILLE, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$2,163.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE ROYAL INDEMNITY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 20, 1929.

HON. RICHARD T. WISDA, *Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Works for the Department of Highways, and Webster-Rockton, a co-partnership, Columbus, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of combined plumbing and heating contracts for garage building at Painesville, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of two thousand one hundred and sixty-three dollars (\$2,163.00).

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, and the certificate of the Controlling Board showing its consent to release of funds under the provisions of Section 11 of House Bill 510, 88th General Assembly. You have also submitted evidence indicating that plans and specifications were properly prepared and approved, bids tabulated as required by law and the contract duly awarded. It also appears that the laws pertaining to workmen's compensation have been complied with.

It is disclosed that the contract bond of the Royal Indemnity Company was signed but the proper amount was not filled in at the time of the submission of the bid in accordance with the requirement of Section 2319, General Code. However, since the estimate of cost is under \$3,000, the provisions of Sections 2314 et seq., General Code, need not be complied with.

Finding said contract and bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same to you herewith, together with all other data and papers submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.