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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND THE HUFFMAN-WOLFE COMPANY, COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF PLUMBING AND HEATING, JOURNALISM BUILDING, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, AT A COST OF \$20,700.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 15, 1923.

Hon. L. A. Boulay, Director, Department of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—You have submitted for my approval two contracts between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works on behalf of the Board of Trustees of Ohio State University and The Huffman-Wolfe Company, of Columbus, Ohio.

These contracts cover the construction and completion of the plumbing and heating of the addition to the Chemistry Building on the Ohio State University Campus, and call for an expenditure of \$33,500.00; and the construction and completion of the plumbing and heating of the Journalism Building on the Ohio State University Campus, and call for an expenditure of \$20,700.00.

You have submitted the certificates of the Director of Finance to the effect that there are encumbered balances legally appropriated in a sum sufficient to cover the obligations of the contracts. There has further been submitted a contract bond upon which the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland 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 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 connection therewith.

Respectfully,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND D. W. McGRATH & SONS, COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION, JOURNALISM BUILDING, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, AT A COST OF \$68,600.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY.