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CARLISLE SCHOOL, 11-3-08 11-5

Requests information regarding bond for small contracts; inquiry made by Walter B. Timms, recent bidder for dried fruit.

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REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

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77612-1908. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
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OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

Subject: Bond of Walter B. Timms. WASHINGTON.

November 23, 1908.

The Superintendent,

Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

Empire State Surety Company, through its Washington manager, saying that under date of November 16, 1907, that company became surety on the bond of Walter B. Timms, on a contract for furnishing tinned goods to your school. The company wishes to be informed whether this contract has been completed and the work accepted, and, if so, it would like to know the relative dates.

Please forward this information at the earliest prejeticable date.

Very respectfully,

Chief, Purchase Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

Subject: Bond of Walter B. Timms.

Indian Industrial School, Carlisle, Pa., Nov. 24, 1908.

To the Honorable,
The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In reply to Office letter of the 23rd.instant, I have to respectfully state that the necessary information reto lative/a bond of Walter B.Timms, on a contract for furnishing tinned goods to this school, has been forwarded to the Empire State Surety Co advising them that the contract has been completed and the supplies delivered, setting forth the relative dates required.

Very respectfully,

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The Empire State Surety Company

EXECUTIVE OFFICES: 84 WILLIAM STREET

CONTRACT DEPARTMENT

New York.

Nov. 16th 1908.

In re bond No. \$39819 \$ 140

Interior Dept.

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Dear Sir:

Under date of Nov. 16th

190 7, this Company became

surety on the bond of Walter B. Timms

on a contract

furnishing tinned goods to Carlisle School for

In the space set apart below please advise us if said contract has been completed and the work accepted, and, if so, give the relative dates.

Yours very truly,

THE EMPIRE STATE SURETY COMPANY

Date of Completion

Date of Acceptance

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Purchase 74215~1908 C H S

Subject: Information regarding bond. November 13, 1908.

The Superintendent,

Carlisle Indian School,

Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of November 3, 1908, saying that you have been informed by a recent bidder on dried fruits that it is the practice of some of the Government Departments to furnish contracts without bond on small items, and requesting that you be allowed to make a similar arrangement with this party, to whom was awarded only one item, 3,000 of cornmeal, price \$66.00, you are informed that this Office is without authority to permit such contract arrangements as suggested. In a case of this kind, however, the Office is not disposed to put the contractor to unusual expense, inconvenience and trouble in order to have so small an item covered by a contract, and to meet such conditions, it is not unusual to make the matter one of open market purchase. In this instance you may purchase the cornmeal from the bidder and submit a voucher to the Office for approval, being careful to call attention

to this letter to explain that the cornmeal purchased is the same as that previously authorized from your annual estimate.

Very respectfully,

Active Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE.

Subject: Requests information regarding bond for small contracts.

Indian Industrial School, Carlisle, Pa., Nov. 3, 1908.

To the Honorable,
The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter from Walter B.Timms, copy of which is enclosed, a recent bidder to furnish dried fruits, etc., which were opened and awarded on October 29, 1908, in which he states that is is the practice of some of the other government departments to issue contracts without bond on small items, and I respectfully request if it is advisable to make a similar arrangement for this party who was awarded only one item, 3,000 lbs Cornmeal for the sum of \$66.00.

Very respectfully,

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