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*1 RE: National Guard Armory (Abbeville, South Carolina) State Project No. E24-002 Federal Contract No. DAHA-38-78-0061-5

Major General R. L. McCrady The Adjutant General National Guard Armory 1225 Bluff Road Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear General McCrady:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 20, 1978, in which you request an opinion from this Office as to whether the bidding procedures used for the Abbeville Armory were in accordance with State law. You have advised me that the construction company submitting the low bid was disqualified as a bidder, because he did not have a valid contractor's license. Thereafter, the Office of the Adjutant General negotiated with the lowest acceptable bidder resulting in a reduction of that bid by approximately Twenty Three Thousand Dollars (\$23,000.00). It is this Office's opinion that the negotiation with the contractor submitting the lowest acceptable bid, resulting in a decrease in the contract price, was in conformity with State law.

Very truly yours,

Richard B. Kale, Jr. Assistant Attorney General

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