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OPINION LETTER NO. 26

Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Governor of Missouri
Executive Office
State Capitol Building
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Dear Governor Bond:

This is in answer to your opinion request concerning the responsibilities of the Commissioner of Administration in relation to the Division of Employment Security. Your specific inquiry asked whether the Division of Employment Security has the power and authority to obtain architectural documents, let contracts for repair, rehabilitation or new construction of facilities, supervise construction, and perform inspection and maintenance of facilities without the approval of the Commissioner of Administration.

We refer your attention to Opinion No. 25 rendered March 7, 1974 (copy enclosed), which held that the Conservation Commission was not empowered or authorized to let contracts for repair, rehabilitation or new construction of facilities without the approval of the Commissioner of Administration but that the Conservation Commission need not secure formal approval of the Commissioner of Administration before obtaining architectural documents, supervising construction and performing inspection and maintenance provided that the procedures in carrying out such activities conform to the reasonable procedures outlined by the Commissioner pursuant to his rule-making authority under Section 8.320, RSMo 1969.

We have specifically examined Sections 286.130 and 288.220, RSMo 1969, relating to the power and duties of the Division of

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Employment Security and can find nothing therein or in any other statutory provisions of Missouri constitutional provisions that would cause us to reach a different conclusion with respect to the Division of Employment Security.

Yours very truly,



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Enclosure: Op. No. 25
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