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Mr. G. A. Buchanan, Jr., Chairman
S. C. Mental Health Commission
Columbia, S. C.

Re: Project 206
Ward Buildings for Disturbed Patients
State Park, S. C.

Dear Mr. Buchanan:

We report progress on plans and suggested dates for bidding the above Project for State Park Division of the State Hospital.

SITE SURVEY-- Completed by Barber-Keels and Associates and turned over to us approximately three weeks ago. This survey was quite different from the old survey we had and certainly was justified. Boring tests and results of same were given us Sept. 9th. These tests indicate no unusual conditions particularly no underground water strata. Soil mostly sand-clay with a safe bearing of 2-1/2 to 3 tons.

SITE PLANS-- Site plan locating buildings has been made and approved by the Commission and Hospital Authorities. Grading plans, Drainage plans and plans for water, sewer and electric utilities now being prepared by us.

BUILDINGS-- The two building duplicating units "B" and "C" in Columbia are to be constructed. These are designated units "A" and "B" at State Park. Unit "A" (for Female Patients) is south-westerly of the institution and nearest to Farrow Road. Unit "b" (for Male Patients) is adjacent to and nearest to Male side of Institution.

Plans for the above two buildings are being changed only to suit site conditions. Titles and other pertinent data are being done. The original drawings are being copied by duplication process, thus on completion of the work complete drawings will be retained for all units. McPherson is re-tracing the Heating and Electrical and Ventilating plans. Specifications will be completely re-written.

CONTRACT -- -- One lump sum contract is proposed to include:

General Construction
Site Grading, Clearance and Site drainage
Water distribution.
Outside Sewers to present Disposal system
Outside Electric service and street lighting

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- HEATING - - Heating inside buildings will be included in Contract. Steam generation and distribution to the buildings will be a separate contract. This part of the engineering work we understand has still to be awarded by the Commission.
- ROADS - - No paving of roads is included. This work we understand will be done through the State Highway Department or by separate contract with others.
- WALKS - - No paved walks are included in the contract.
- TIME SCHEDULE - - Subject to your approval we suggest the following schedule:

Sept. 24/53 - Submit to Board the completed contract documents. We expect to have all completed except for some minor items and final checking.

October 1/53 - Final completion and checking of Contract Documents. Start issuing to prospective bidders.

October 29/53 - Receive bids 11:00 AM at State Hospital in Columbia.

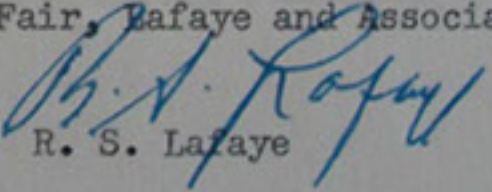
This will allow three to four weeks for bidding. As the buildings are duplicates this should be ample time.

The above has been discussed verbally and is now submitted for your final approval or suggested changes.

Respectfully submitted,

Lafaye, Fair, Lafaye and Associates

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