

File No. 7958.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SEWERAGE COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE  
CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE  
AMERICAN BUILDING.

Baltimore, May 1st, 1908.

Mr. W. Cabell Bruce,  
City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:-

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I send you herewith by special messenger the two bids of T. J. O'Connell, No. 158 Adams Street, Boston, Mass., on Sections 1 and 2 of the East Low Level Interceptor. I would call your especial attention to page 97, item 15, on Section 2, in which his bid for 8 inch underdrain is written "fifty dollars", followed by the numerals, .50 per linear foot. I would also call your attention to the item just preceding this, No. 14, in which he bids "sixty cents", followed by the numerals .60, per linear foot for 10 inch underdrain.

I would also call your attention to item 15 on page 97 of Section 1, in which both the words and the numerals read fifty cents (.50) per linear foot for 8 inch underdrain.

The bid on item 15 in Section 2 seems clearly to be a clerical error. I therefore refer the matter to you for your opinion. If the bid of fifty cents is allowed to stand he is the lowest bidder on this section, while if the words "fifty dollars" are allowed to stand \$113,850 will have to be added to his bid, making him the highest bidder.

I have called your attention to the various items in the two contracts in order that you may see the comparisons. Will you please let me hear from you as to whether, from a legal standpoint, this is sufficient to throw out this bid on Section 2 of the East Low Level Interceptor.

I would appreciate exceedingly a reply at your earliest convenience, and the return of these two bids, as they are the original bids.

Yours truly,  
(Signed) Calvin W. Hendrick  
Chief Engineer.