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To Lucius D. Barrows, Chief Engineer, State Highway Commission Re: Blanket Power of Attorney

It would seem that under the ruling of the Insurance Deparment the blanket power of attorney for an agent to sign contract bonds would satisfy legal requirements as long as a copy, duly authenticated, was filed with the Insurance Department, with the proper protections in regard to its revocation. I find no ruling requiring special powers of attorney. It is obvious that an individual claiming power of attorney should substantiate that fact, and under the old system had to do it by furnishing the power of attorney. It could be that the agent could be required to have copies of the blanket power of attorney made and one of these affixed to the bond, but it would seem to me that it would be sufficient for the one exercising this piwer to refer to his blanket power which is on file.

L. Smith Dunnack Assistant Attorney General

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Note: Glynn, is not this contrary to our practice? RAP.