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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR ARCHITECTS' ROSTER AND/OR REGISTER OF ARCHITECTS QUALIFIED FOR FEDERAL PUBLIC WORKS

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- 1. (a) **FIRM** (individual or partnership) Gifford E. Sobey
- (b) **FORMER FIRM**, if any Same
- 2. **BUSINESS ADDRESS** 69 South First Street, San Jose, California
- 3. **YEAR ESTABLISHED** 1941

4. PERSONAL HISTORIES OF PRINCIPALS	Name of Principal	Name of Principal
	<u>Gifford E. Sobey</u>	

Furnish data complete, but keep to essentials. Describe each member of firm individually; if more than two, append extra sheets.

- (a) **Date of Birth** October 6, 1907
- (b) **Education** Lowell High School - San Francisco, California
University of California - Berkeley, California
California School of Fine Arts - San Francisco, California

(c) **Experience Prior to Own Practice**

(Give architect or architectural firm affiliations, positions held, and approximate dates of employment.)

<u>William B. Faville</u>	<u>draftsman</u>	<u>1925 - 1929</u>
<u>Empire Construction Company</u>	<u>designer & supt.</u>	<u>1932 - 1934</u>
<u>Huggard Construction Company</u>	<u>designer & supt.</u>	<u>1934 - 1936</u>
<u>Hertzka and Knowles</u>	<u>draftsman</u>	<u>1936 (3 months)</u>
<u>Harry J. Devine</u>	<u>designer</u>	<u>1937 (4 months)</u>
<u>Masten and Hurd</u>	<u>head draftsman</u>	<u>1937 (6 months)</u>
<u>H. H. Weeks</u>	<u>head draftsman</u>	<u>1937 (3 months)</u>
<u>Wilton Smith</u>	<u>head draftsman</u>	<u>1938 (6 months)</u>
<u>Binder and Curtis</u>	<u>designer</u>	<u>1938 - 1940</u>
<u>Federal Public Housing Authority</u>	<u>senior architect</u>	<u>1942 - 1943</u>

- (d) **Commenced Practice** April 8, 1941
- (e) **Number of Years a Principal** Three

(f) **Architectural Licenses**

(Give State, Number and Year Issued.)

California, C-309, 1941

(g) **Professional Societies and Offices Held**

California Council of Architects

(h) **Service in World Wars I and II.** (Append data if desired.)

U. S. Navy, CEC, two years, World War II

(i) **Civic Activities**

Santa Glara Council of Boy Scouts of America

Emergency Housing Committee

Veterans' Housing Committee

5. CONSULTANTS USUALLY EMPLOYED:

(If a member of your staff, so state)

(a) **STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual William D. Lotz Vincent Arena
Business Address 35 W. San Carlos, San Jose (member of staff)
California

(b) **HEATING & VENTILATING ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual George E. Akins
Business Address San Francisco, California

(c) **ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual Roy Butcher Co.
Business Address San Jose, California

(d) **PLUMBING OR SANITARY ENGINEERS**

Name of Firm or Individual Albert A. Coddington
Business Address San Francisco, California

(e) **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

Name of Firm or Individual Osmundson, Staley, and Gibson
Business Address Oakland, California

6. OTHER REMARKS RE QUALIFICATIONS:

(Append extra sheet if necessary)

During a year and a half's service with the Federal Public Housing Administration, did site planning and followed to completion numerous large Federal Projects, such as Vanport City near Portland, Oregon, -- a housing project of 10,000 dwelling units, costing \$26,000,000.

7. SUMMARY OF PROJECT COSTS:

	Largest Single Job	All Jobs Valuation	Annual Average
Work Completed 1930-1940			
Work Completed 1941-1944 ²	\$85,000	\$114,000	\$97,000
Current Work under construction or working drawings authorized	\$135,000	\$660,000	

8. REPRESENTATIVE WORK FOR WHICH YOU WERE ARCHITECT OR WERE ASSOCIATED WITH OTHERS:

(a) Three Projects Not Exceeding Cost of \$300,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
Willow Glen Methodist Church	\$120,000	San Jose, California	Same
Temple Bickur Cholim	\$135,000	San Jose, California	Same
Professional Building	\$20,000	San Jose, California	E. M. Fellows

(b) Three Projects Costing From \$300,000 to \$1,000,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
Housing Projects	\$500,000 to \$1,000,000	Portland, Oregon	FPHA

(c) Three Projects Costing Over \$1,000,000:

Name of Project	Cost	Location	Owner
Vanport City	\$26,000,000	Portland, Oregon	FPHA
University Homes	\$5,000,000	Portland, Oregon	FPHA
McLaughlin Heights	\$21,000,000	Vancouver, Washington	FPHA

9. PHOTOGRAPHS/PHOTOSTATS:

The author submits herewith photographs or photostats (size 8" x 10") of several buildings for which he has been the Architect, as follows: (N.C.A.R.B. presentation acceptable.)

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10. COLLABORATION WITH JUNIOR ARCHITECTS:

(a) If an established individual or firm, are you willing to collaborate with other firms or individuals which would permit junior architects to qualify and help further their professional careers?

Yes

(b) If in private practice at this time, name associates (if additional architects are to be added to your organization) for the purpose of qualifying:

To be selected from members of staff.

(c) If not in private practice at this time, name established architect or firm with whom you have agreed to collaborate, for the purpose of qualifying:

11.(a) I/We wish to be } included in the Architects' Roster
do not wish to be

(b) I/We would like to be } considered for the Register of Architects Qualified for Federal Public Works
do not wish to be

I/We hereby certify that the above is a true statement of facts.

Name of Firm or Individual Gifford E. Sobey

Signed by all Principals:

Gifford E. Sobey