Los Angeles, Calif., February 15, 1968.

J. M. SPROUSE, Associated General Contractors.

Washington, D.C.:

Cursory survey indicates excess of 4,000 contractors (all types) went out of business through one means or another during last 2-year period here in southern California.

RICHARD B. MUNN.

KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION OF HIGHWAY CONTRACTORS, Frankfort, Ky., February 15, 1968.

J. M. SPROUSE, Associated General Contractors, Washington, D.C.:

Re telegram February 14, nine contractors, all small except one.

D. E. Comley, Executive Director.

THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF AMERICA, INC., LOUISIANA HIGHWAY AND HEAVY CONSTRUCTION BRANCH, Baton Rouge, La., February 15, 1968.

Mr. J. M. SPROUSE, Assistant Executive Director, Contractor Services, Associated General Contractors, Washington, D.C.

DEAR JIM: As far as we are able to determine, approximately 53 Louisiana firms engaged in highway and heavy construction went out of business within the the past 2 years. Sincerely,

PRESTON EGGERS, Jr., Managing Director.

ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF MAINE, Augusta, Maine, Februray 15, 1968.

J. M. SPROUSE, Associated General Contractors of America, Washington, D.C.

Four contractors went out of business in the State of Maine in the last 2 years.

RALPH KNOWLTON.

MICHIGAN ROAD BUILDERS, Lansing, Mich., February 14, 1968.

JAMES M. SPROUSE, Associated General Contractors of America, Washington, D.C.

Eleven highway contractors went out of business in the State of Michigan during period from January 1, 1966, to December 31, 1967.

C. V. KLAPAC.

ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF MINNESOTA, Minneapolis, Minn., February 14, 1968.

J. M. SPROUSE, Associated General Contractors, Washington, D.C.

Approximately 12 Minnesota members out of business past 2 years.

W. H. GARY,