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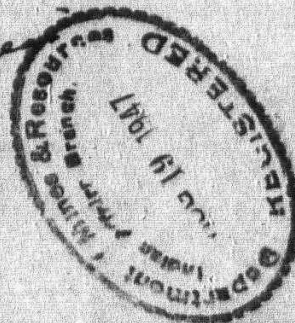
The Indian Affairs Branch, Dept., of Mines and Resources,
Ottawa, Ont.

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant enclosing copy of a communication sent to Mr. Don. F. Brown, President of the Parliamentary Committee on Indian Affairs, in which he is complaining about the putting up of another power line at Gaughnawaga.

As you are aware the Cedar Rapids Manufacturing and Power Co., by order in Council dated 29th of May 1930, P.O. 1141, obtained a right of way at Gaughnawaga which passed through several private properties. The owners were all fully compensated for this right of way which is of 192 feet width. The Company constructed their towers on the north side of this right of way. At the present time they are clearing the whole width and are proposing to put up an additional tower line on this same right of way, alongside the existing transmission line. They are not taking any additional land but will use their own land.

It is not well understood why Chief Councillor Montour made the statement that he is in ignorance of the work being done as this work is done by Indians under the supervision of an Indian foreman, Mr. Paul. About 15 Indians have been employed at the clearing of the right of way for the past two months and every Indian on this Reserve is fully aware of the work going on.

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