Ottawa. Jan. 2nd. 1929.

Gentlemen: -

With reference to your letter of Oct.24th.last regarding resumption of your operations on the Coldwater Reserve, I have to state that the Department is not satisfied that you have taken reasonable measures to reduce the fire hazard, as a report has been received that the reserve has been left in a disgraceful condition, no attempt apparently having been made to lop the tops or dispose of the logging debris, so as to materially reduce such hazard.

The Department therefore can only authorise a continuance of your operation conditional on your disposing of the logging slash already on the ground, and depositing with the Department the sum of \$500 as a guarantee for the proper carrying out of the undertaking. Such deposit is liable to forfeiture if such undertaking is not carried out to the satisfaction of the Superintendent General.

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy & Secretary. (J.D.McLean)

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