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Ottawa April 2nd, 1909

Sir,-

The lands comprising Indian Reserves fronting on navigable waters are limited by ordinary high-water mark. In reply to requests from this Department the different Departments having any jurisdiction over fore-shores and all the Provinces promised that no fore-shore rights in front of Indian Reserves would be granted without previously communicating with this Department.

I have the honour to ask you to be good enough to, advise whether the Indian interest in the said fore-shores and riparian rights as riparian owners department may be dealt with by this, without previous surrender of the same by the Indians.

Your obedient servant

E.L. Newcomb, Esq.,

Deputy Minister:-

Dept of Justice,

Ottawa.

*For Leam*  
Secretary.

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