



## Standard Logging Company

BANK OF MONTREAL BUILDING  
NANAIMO, B.C.

March 1, 1948

Your File: 2-4-3.

Department of Indian Affairs  
Duncan, B.C.

Attention: Mr. R.H. Moore

Dear Sir:                    Re: Timber Licence No. 266  
Chemainus I.R. # 13.

In answer to your Item No. 1 in your letter of  
February 18th:

1. Timber being cut by the mill is small but the end slabs are not very thin as we slab quite heavily in order to keep away from the production of 1 and 2 " lumber which sells at a very low price.
2. Slabs are left in long lengths because in the portable mill only one cut-off saw is used and this saw is busy trimming ties and lumber.
3. The wood produced is composed of the butt end of ties and lumber and must be kept clear of the mill at all times. Therefore if the Indians do not avail themselves of the wood continually we allow our other employees to take some home in their cars at night after work.
4. If the Indians would avail themselves of the trimmings they certainly could keep themselves in wood very comfortably.

In view of the difficulty we have in trying to satisfy the Indians regarding the fuel and the unsatisfactory results we have had from trying to favour them for employment at the mill we have decided to move the mill away from the Indian Reserve entirely and would appreciate it if you would delete all reference to a portable mill when considering a renewal of our license as of April 30th, 1948.

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