Ottawa,9th January 1925

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In reply to your letter of the 29th ultimo, I have to inform you that the Department has requested the Indian Commissioner, Mr.W.E.Ditchburn, Victoria, for a report in connection with the proposal to have the British Columbia Water Act of 1924 made applicable to the waters which affect Indian reserves within the railway belt and the Department prefers to withhold its final decision until this report is received. As soon as this is received you will be further advised and I would ask you to be good enough to have action delayed until I again communicate with you.

Your obedient servant,

(J.D.McLean) Assistant Deputy and Secretary.

The Acting Director, Water Power & Reclamation Branch, Department of the Interior, Victoria, B.C.

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