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Ottawa, Ontario,
July 8, 1959.

My dear Colleague:

I have your letter of July 3rd, enclosing letter to you from Mr. A. J. McPherson of Vancouver, regarding certain placer deposits on the Nechikop Indian Reserve No. 6.

In reply I would say that the Indian Agent at Lytton has already been instructed to advise Mr. McPherson that he is allowed to test out the ground, as a preliminary step, under the right already given him to prospect on this Reserve. If the result of such test warrants active working of the deposits and Mr. McPherson produces a certified copy of his placer mining lease, covering the lands in question, from the Provincial District Gold Commissioner, the Department will be in a position to grant him a permit to occupy such lands, covering the surface rights.

The conditions of such permit would provide that an indemnity bond of \$1000. be made to protect Indian improvements, such as the cemetery and cultivated plots, and payment of an annual rental of \$300.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd) J. Lalor
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Admitted

Honourable Chas. A. Dunning,
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