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Ottawa, January, 19th 1909.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 8th instant, respecting the application of the Prince Albert Lumber Company, for permission to build a short road through the Sturgeon Lake Reserve, I beg to inform you that the sum of \$75.00 is not regarded as adequate compensation for the privileges now sought by the Company, which have been so increased as to admit of the building and maintaining of landing camps and the use of timber in constructing same.

The permission given was applicable to the establishing of a temporary camp to facilitate the Company's lumber operations, not to the building and maintaining of landing camps and using timber belonging to the Reserve in constructing the Camps, as well as for fuel for an unspecified period.

The Department does not consider \$75.00 as adequate compensation for the privileges sought, and you will, therefore, inform the Company of this decision.

The instructions contained in the letter sent to you on 22nd October last should have been carried out, and a definite understanding should be reached and reported as to term of occupation which should be in writing, as well as an agreement to pay full value for wood and

Thomas Borthwick, Esq.,

timber

Indian Agent,

Mistawsis, Sask.

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