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October 8, 1927.

Dear Sir:-

Relative to the conference held in your office yesterday between Mr. ~~James~~ Spencer, of the Chilco Ranch, and his solicitor Martin Griffin, Esq., representing the Chilco Ranch, and yourself, C.H. Webb, Esq., District Chief Engineer of the Dominion Water Power Branch, and myself as representing the Department of Indian Affairs, to consider the merits of the recommendations of Engineer C.V. Murray, representing Mr. Spencer, and Engineer W.C. Warren, of the Dominion Water Power Branch, as to what further work should be done to put the Chilco Ranch - Stone Irrigation System in a more satisfactory condition to meet the views of Mr. Spencer, I have to say that while the conference did not terminate very satisfactorily, there was nothing put down in writing, and it is felt that this should be done in order that the matter may be properly on record.

I desire, however, in the first place to point out, as stated yesterday, that the works proposed by the Engineers abovementioned in their report of the 22nd March last was a much larger scheme than the works mentioned in the Agreement between Mr. Spencer and my Department dated 27th October, 1925, Section 3 of which reads as hereunder:-

"The enlargement and improvement of the ditches
"and works heretofore constructed for the convey-
"ance of the water under Record Number 530 shall
"be proceeded with by the parties hereto. In
"general the work to be done is at the following

places:-

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