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The Pas, May 30, 1917.

Deputy Minister,  
Dept. of the Interior,  
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Sir,-

The Board of Trade of The Pas has recently remitted through the local Lands Office the purchase price of fractional Sec 4 and 9 to be used for industrial purposes, particularly the handling of ore and other products from points north. To serve this purpose the Canadian Northern Railway purpose building a spur from their main line to the Pas river, for which purpose lots 4,5,6,7,12 13 of block 26 must be crossed. We understand that the Railway Co have applied or will apply for right of way across these lots and the Board of Trade respectfully asks that such application receive favourable consideration.

The Board of Trade purchased the fractional sections referred to above because there are absolutely no facilities for handling the large amount of ore that is now ready for shipment and the much larger amount that will follow. The development of the whole north country is directly affected by this undertaking and the successful issue depends upon railway facilities which can only be provided by the proposed spur. The Board of Trade is arranging with the Railway Co. for a right of way across the purchased land and the Town has agreed to permit the railway to use the streets where necessary. The urgency of the case and its evident importance will therefore be apparent to you.

Yours respectfully,  
(Sgd) H.H. Elliott,  
Sec. Bd of Trade.