

REGULATIONS

Governing the Issue of Leases to dredge for Minerals in the submerged Beds of Rivers in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and the North-west Territories excepting rivers in the Yukon Territory.

Approved by Orders in Council of the 21st and 29th July, 1897, as amended.

The Agent of Dominion Lands in whose district the portion of the river desired to be leased is situated is authorized to accept applications, and leases may be issued by the Minister of the Interior upon the following conditions :—

1. The lessee shall be given the exclusive right to subaqueous mining and dredging for minerals with the exception of coal in and along an unbroken extent of five miles of the river following its sinuosities, and to be described by the applicant in such manner as to be easily traced on the ground.

Not more than 2 leases, each including an unbroken extent of five miles of a river, shall be issued in favour of one individual or company.

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2. The lease shall be for a term of twenty years, at the end of which time all rights vested in, or which may be claimed, by the lessee are to cease and determine. The lease may be renewable, however, from time to time thereafter in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

3. The lessee's right to mining and dredging shall be confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river, below low water mark.