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*Dr. [Signature]*  
*Minister*

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Ottawa, ~~18th~~ April, 1906.

Sir,-

Enclosed herewith is a plan showing the land in the Agency reserve, near Fort Frances, which the Ontario and Minnesota Power Company propose to flood. The area is shown to be approximately eighteen acres, and you will notice the Indian agency will be rendered practically uninhabitable. It is also to be noted that a road allowance two chains wide was provided around the lake shores in the original survey of the reserve. It is intended to make provision for a similar allowance along the edge of the water, at the level to which it is proposed to raise it, as shown on the plan.

I have to request you to consider the whole matter very carefully, with the view of advising the Department what would be a reasonable sum to demand as compensation for the damages that will be sustained. State your valuation in detail as well as you can.

*J. B.*

Please state also whether there is any objection against making the new road allowance, as above stated.

*[Signature]*

Your obedient servant,

J.P. Wright, Esq.,

Indian Agent,

Fort Frances, Ont.

Secretary.

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