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Major D. M. MacKay, Indian Commissioner for B.C. Vancouver. B.C.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your above noted letter and in reply with the advise as follows:

- (1). The Standard Logging Co. is being notified of the fact that the Department has approved of the renewal of License No. 266 at the rates stated, and the payment of ground rental at 20¢ per acre on 750 acres only.
- (2). It will be impossible to supply a description of the area on which ground rental is to be charged owing to the fact that the remaining timber is in small pockets all over the south part of the reserve and described in the Surrender of December 1919. It was estimated that not more than 750 acres will actually be involved, but I feel that if the Department require a description of these pockets, which could not be given accurately anyway, then the best thing to do will be to charge ground rental on the whole south part of the reserve containing approximately approximately 1800 acres.
- (3). Thank you for the copy of the Surrender of 1919 taken by Mr Ditchburn. While the whole area is mentioned in the surrender, the fact remains that the Indians reserved two sections, one along the west side of the reserve and the other on the s.e corner, and which are defined on the map. I am sure there must be something mentioned in the letter sent by Mr Ditchburn at that time with the surrender to the Department, as I have a letter on file from Mr Ditchburn dated Dec. 9th. 1919. File No. 136/149/L. which mentiones the blue-print showing the timber reserved. By the way you have that blue-print in your office now and I should like to have it returned. Before I take any further action on this matter I will await your reply regarding the reserved areas. Since writing you on April 23rd. last I found the old file dealing with the original surrender of that reserve but gather from it that most of the correspondence connected therewith is in your office.

R.H. Moore, Indian Agent.

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