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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
NO. **30-14-1316.**
ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER



P.O. BOX 70
VANCOUVER, B.C. **November 20, 1942.**

AIR MAIL.

Dear Sir:

Your File 13167- 15 B

Domestic Water Supply
Musqueam Indian Reserve.

As advised in my letter of October 6th, the above noted matter was discussed with the city officials at a conference on August 10th, when the Department's viewpoint as expressed in the Director's letter of June 6th was presented.

Mr. Ball and I were cordially received by Mr. McTaggart Corporation Counsel and the other representatives of the city delegated to confer with us. The discussion was carried on in a friendly, co-operative spirit throughout and, with a view to secure, if possible, a satisfactory solution of the problems involved.

In return for our co-operation in the matter of collection of taxes from non Indian lessees occupying the lands in question, I suggested that the city give favourable consideration to the following:

- 1- A substantial reduction in the taxation levy.
(The present amount levied by the city in taxes being in excess of 25% of the total Indian income from the leases involved).
- 2- The extension of the following services to include the reserve, - fire Protection, Road Improvements and Water Supply.
- 3- The extension of the city water main along Marine drive from the intersection of 41st Avenue and Marine Drive westerly to a point northerly from the Indian houses shown at "H" Section "B" of the plan accompanying the report on the "Proposed Water Supply System" for this reserve by G.H. Whyte, dated May 30, 1940.

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