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June 4, 1947.

Indian Affairs Branch, Dept. of Mines and Resources, Ottawa.

Re: Chemainus Indian Reserve No. 13
Standard Logging Co. Timber
Licence # 266

Renewal of the above mentioned timber licence was forwarded to Mr. Indian Agent Moore for examination and submission to the Company should he find it satisfactory. Mr. Moore's letter of June 2nd is enclosed from which it will be noted that the Agent considers a clause should be inserted in the licence to allow for the operation of a portable sawmill on the reserve as requested by the Company.

It is the view of this office, and Mr. Moore was so advised, that such a clause is unnecessary inasmuch as the Company is paying ground rental and would be entitled to take onto and operate on the Reserve any equipment which would facilitate their logging operations. In this case the quality of the timber and the nature of the operation is such that it would not be feasible to remove a large part of the cut from the Reserve and the only economical way of turning it into lumber is by means of a portable mill on the Reserve. I am, however, returning the licence in quadruplicate herewith and would appreciate the Department's view with respect to the necessity for a clause such as that suggested by Mr. Moore.

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Encl.

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

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