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Jan. 26th. '92.

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Sir,

On behalf of several Indians of this Agency I beg to request that some of the Fraser River licenses may be allotted to them. Formerly many of them had licenses granted at the regular fee to fish with their own nets and boats, but for the last two years this has been denied them, being a great hardship to those who had many nets and suitable boats for the work. It is an employment to which they are well fitted and they naturally think themselves ill used when although they have boats and nets ready the licenses are denied them, and granted to foreigners who beyond their fishing outfit have no stake in the country.

The Indians of the Province are self-supporting and it is to be regretted that the Fishery Department object to the Cowichan Indians having licenses of their own, but compel them to go to the cannery Co to work on their licenses.

Trusting you will lay matter

before

This is Exhibit "V" referred to in the

affidavit of BARBARA LANE

sworn before me at VICTORIA, BC

this 2 day of DECEMBER 20 1909

A Commissioner for taking Affidavits
Within British Columbia

before the proper authorities.

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I am Sir,

Your Ob'dt. Servant,

(Signed) W. H. Lomas

Indian Agent.

John McNab Esq.

Inspector of Fisheries

New Westminster.