

Westminster-Chilliwack Ry. Survey.

New Westminster, B.C., Jan. 5, 1907.

Messrs. McPhillips, Tiffin & Laursen,
Barristers etc.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Gentlemen:

In connection with the proposed railway extension from New Westminster to Chilliwack, I believe it would be a very opportune time to secure free right of way from the farmers when the engineers are actually on the ground. My idea is to supply each of the engineers with a number of blank forms which will cover a grant to the Vancouver Power Company of the right of way required (100 feet in width) through the land of each settler.

It will probably be much easier to get these concessions now while there is uncertainty as to the actual route the railway will follow, than later when the location has been settled and the enthusiasm has cooled.

I shall be obliged, therefore, if you will prepare and send to me a form- brief and simple as possible- which will cover this matter.

Yours very truly,



Executive Officer.

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Executive Officer,
Westminster & Chilliwack Railway Survey,
New Westminster, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 5th inst., and note contents.

We have now drafted, and enclose you herewith a form to be used in connection with ^{obtaining} free grants of right of way in connection with the above railway. We have drawn this in the form of an option to the Company to purchase, at a nominal consideration, so much of the proposed vendor's lands as the Company might require for its right of way. You could not very well now get a grant of land for right of way, the description of which you might not know at the present time, and we doubt very much whether the farmers would convey a right of way to you if they were not certain as to whether you would build the railway over their land. As it is drawn now, you need only take the land in case you build your railway over it, and the farmer need only sell it to you in that case. You could make the time of

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the option sufficiently long to enable you to know before the expiration of the option whether you would want to take it up or not.

We trust that the form meets with your approval, but if not, kindly let us know in which respects you desire it altered, and we will give the matter our attention.

Yours truly,

McPHILLIPS, TIFFIN & LAURSEN.

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