

Winfield, B.C. April 18th 1926

Interview of Committee of Water Users Association with Mr. J. L. Logie, Manager of the Okanagan Valley Land Company Ltd., and of the Okanagan Irrigation and Power Company, Ltd., at the Company's office, Okanagan Centre.

The attached letter from the Water Users Committee was handed to Mr. Logie, and it was requested that Mr. Logie give the committee a letter in reply.

The proposition of the Water Users as submitted in Mr. Norris letter to Mr. Cochrane of 27th March was taken up clause by clause, Mr. Logie admitting that any recommendations he might make would have to be submitted to Mr. Warren, but claiming that his knowledge of Mr. Warren's opinions enabled him to speak with some authority.

Mr. Logie took exception to the following points, those not mentioned being considered acceptable, or of such minor importance that an arrangement could be arrived at.

(2) The Company would not consent to agree to deliver water where no agreement has been signed, nor to deliver the second acre foot where the second agreement has not been signed. The company might continue to deliver water as they have in the past to parties who have not signed the agreement, but it would be as a matter of courtesy and at their discretion. The Company contends that the contract is the foundation of the business and must be signed by each user.

(5) Mr. Logie considers that he as manager should be left some discretion as to terms of payment, but would consent to small committee of users having some say with him as to where credit should be granted. On being further pressed he would not consent to the company lands rates being subject to this committee. He also considers second payment should be due August 1st instead of August 31st. The committee were disposed to accede to this item.

(8 & 9) Company insist that interest on dam be paid before depreciation fund. Stated that dam was put in to make good water record.

(9) States that Mr. Logie and Mr. Cochrane at hearing before Minister agreed to appointment of independent engineer subject to Mr. Warren's approval

(12) Utterly opposed to separate management. Separate books kept now which company consider sufficient.

(15) Suggests that auditor be satisfied of 1925 accounts, and through him Water Users Committee. Reference to Water Comptroller unnecessary. Committee consider this sufficient, as if not satisfied they can then refer to Comptroller.

Company insist on preserving any right they have to put further land under system, if and when water is available and system adequate to convey same.

(15) Domestic water rate. Mr. Logie considers \$2.00 fair charge.

(16) Four years too long. If arrangement made, try it one year and if satisfactory, ~~xxxxxxx~~ continue.