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June 27, 1969

Headquarters, Fort Richardson,
Purchasing & Contracting Division,
P.O. Box 5-525
Fort Richardson, Alaska 99505

Attention: Mrs. Davenport

Re: Contract No. GR 70A182-68-1
Serial No. 7GR9-35
Consignee's No. DAFA0369-C-0079
Helicopter Aerial Spraying

Dear Mrs. Davenport:

Further to our discussion with Mr. Pink of the Canadian Commercial Corporation in Ottawa regarding your thoughts on terminating the Pipeline Contract with us and your further proposal as to how this could be handled more satisfactorily, I propose the following:

I do agree with Mr. Noble Johnston that due to the seasonable, hot weather during June, the brush and trees have hardened-off to the point where a satisfactory trans-location of chemical would not take place and that good control can not possibly be gained by spraying at this time. I may state, however, that upon checking with the Yukon Forestry Department previous to submitting our bid, we were told that from the five year weather average after the first week in July would be an ideal time to spray and this is what we based our bid on. The hot spell of June certainly did not conform to the average quoted to us. So therefore, I would agree to a one year postponement of the contract on the following basis;

(1) That we be reimbursed for 85% of the cost of the chemical already delivered to job sites. Our invoice cost is \$45,050.00, less 15% your hold-back, which leaves a balance of \$38,292.50. We would agree to have this chemical brought back from the distributed places already made and arrange to warehouse storage in Whitehorse where we would be responsible for its safe keeping including insurance, etc.

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(2) That a rider be added that would cover us for any increase in wages, helicopter tariff rates, etc. above 1969 rates. I might add that we do not anticipate any increase in cost at this time, but we cannot be sure.

(3) That this project would be given top priority for the 1970 season and work would commence immediately that weather and tree growth would allow us to do so.

Your representative, Mr. Noble Johnston, is very concerned over the condition of the trees and brush at this time. I believe I must concur with his thinking that it is impractical to spray with the condition that exists at present. We unfortunately in British Columbia were hit with the very hot, dry spell as well as the Yukon, causing the Forestry Department to use every available helicopter for fire fighting during the latter part of June.

I have made every attempt to obtain helicopters to carry out the proposed spraying as early as possible, but unfortunately had no success. We had a commitment from Trans North Turbo Air for two helicopters for this project, but these machines were taken by the Yukon Forestry also for fire fighting.

I submit this proposal to you in all sincerity and anxiously await your decision.

Sincerely,

OKANAGAN COPTER SPRAYS LTD.,

A.W. Hubbard
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Manager

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cc. to Mr. F.G. Pink
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