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KAWISHIWI DISTRICT

June 27, 1961

Miss Dorothy L. Molter
Box 718
Ely, Minnesota

Dear Miss Molter:

Reference is made to previous correspondence in the matter of the purchase of your property on Knife Lake, and particularly to our offer of February 2, 1961, and your letter dated February 15, 1961.

As we have informed you previously, the Forest Service has been directed to purchase all the private lands within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area. This acquisition is to be carried out giving fair market value to the property owners for their land and improvements. Since we have been unable to come to agreement between your price and our offer price, we have had our appraisals reviewed by our Regional Forester's Office in Milwaukee and the Chief's Office in Washington, D.C. Also, the appraisals have been considered by the National Forest Reservation Commission in Washington. After this review and consideration, we are in a position to make you a final firm offer of \$19,500.00 for your property described as Lot 5, Section 31, T65N, R7W. We consider this to be fair value for your property.

We hope you will reconsider your needs as set forth in your letter of February 15th and can accept this offer.

It is important that we proceed promptly in completing acquisition in this area and we hope you can give us a favorable answer soon.

Yours very truly,

L. P. NEFF, Forest Supervisor

By
Ray C. Iverson

P.S. If you should desire a period of occupancy, this price of \$19,500.00 would have to be reduced somewhat in accordance with the period for which you desire the occupancy.

cc: Kawishiwi
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