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Hon: Bascom Giles, Commissioner General Land Office Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Giles:

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Referring to recent conference in your office when Mr. McDowell and I were discussing with you the filing of a portion of the maps of our 1930-31 resurvey of Texas and Pacific lands in the 80-Mile Reservation, I am having forwarded to you, under separate cover, two prints of our map based on that resurvey of Blocks 58 to 62 in Tsps. 5 to 10. My recollection is that you stated your office would like to examine our maps before accepting them for official file and I am sending two prints for convenience in such examination, my thought being that the comments of your office might be made on one of the prints for return to us. When your examination has been completed, we will furnish you with a tracing for your permanent file.

I am also forwarding one print each of our block maps of the blocks shown on the other map. These block maps are drawn to a larger scale and show more detail. In checking over these maps this morning, I find that witness bearings have not been completely shown on two or three of them. Corrected prints of these particular blocks will be sent to you later. With this submission, I am sending you blue prints of the block maps only with the thought that after examination we can send you ozalid sepia prints from which prints can be made or, if you require it, we can have reproduced tracings made of the block maps also.

At this writing I wish to call your attention to the block maps of Block 59 in Tsps. 7 and 8. These two maps bear the note "corrected to patent construction November, 1937" and you will note two sets of section lines on these two maps. The solid lines are in accordance with the construction shown on the group map, which construction was made in accordance with the agreement we had with the General Land Office at the time we undertook the resurvey. The dashed lines show the construction in accordance with the patents which was based on Paul McCombs arbitrary pulling apart of common corners in making up his map from which the patent field notes were corrected. The showing of both constructions on these two block maps came about in 1937 when Mr. R. W. Baker made for us a survey of the Yerawood Ranch in those two blocks and the General Land Office advised us, at that time, that any patents issued to Mr. Yerawood for the even numbered sections involved

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would have to be field noted in accordance with the patent construction. We find, however, that Mr. Yerawood has not yet been issued any patents for these sections and we have never been able to agree with Paul McCombs' construction at such places as he pulled apart common corners. This is a matter that is going to have to be worked out with your office and we trust that you may agree with us that the correct construction is as set out in my letter to Hon. J. H. Walker, Commissioner, dated August 14, 1930 and Mr. Walker's reply to same dated September 19, 1930, copies of which are attached hereto.

A report of our resurvey of Texas and Pacific lands in the 80-Mile Reservation is being prepared and will be forwarded to you shortly.

Very truly yours,

W. J. Powell

WJP/KW Encl. cc: Mr. Ray McDowell #2

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