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January 14, 1938

Hon. Elbert D. Hayford
State Auditor
Augusta, Maine

Dear Mr. Hayford:

In reply to your letter of January 6, having to do with the collection of taxes in St. Francis Plantation, now under the control of the Emergency Municipal Finance Board, it is my opinion that taxes committed to collectors for the years 1929 to 1935, inclusive, or for any years prior to the appointment of Mr. McMonagle to the office of tax collection, should be collected by the tax collectors to whom the taxes for these years were committed.

Mr. McMonagle, or any other commissioner in any town controlled by your Board should, of course, interest himself in the collection of these taxes and do everything possible to collect any moneys that may be due, but I believe that when any moneys are collected by him or through his efforts on those taxes it should be paid to and go through the books of the regularly elected tax collectors for those years whose primary responsibility it is to see that the commitments are paid.

Very truly yours,

Franz U. Burkett
Attorney General

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