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March 9, 1941

Carl R. Smith, Secretary
Farm Lands Loan Commission
Augusta, Maine

Dear Sir:

In connection with the discussion we had recently concerning the payment of taxes to the town of Charleston, my attention has been called to Chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1939.

Under the terms of said Chapter 70, the State Auditor, the State Tax Assessor and the Attorney General are authorized to pay to towns, in which the State has acquired property through foreclosure or mortgage, certain amounts in lieu of taxes on the property so taken. You will note, however, that this applies only to those municipalities where the State has actually acquired title, and does not apply to properties on which the State simply holds a mortgage.

This statute can be used for the benefit of the town of Charleston in connection with the Tayer farm.

Very truly yours,

Frank I. Cowan
Attorney General

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cc to State Auditor
" " State Tax Assessor