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Roland H. Cobb, Commissioner

Inland Fisheries & Game

Neal A. Donahue, Asst. Atty. Gen.

Attorney General

**Chain of Ponds Dam**

On December 1, 1959, you addressed an inquiry to Deputy James Glynn Frost asking if the State had any equity in the Chain of Ponds dam. Mr. Frost asked for your file on the matter which we have had and are returning to you herewith.

It appears that by Chapter 175 of the Resolves of 1949, it was provided that the sum of \$6,000 be appropriated of the funds of your department for the purpose of installing a dam and fish screen at Chain of Ponds, Township 2, Range 6, in the county of Franklin; provided, however, that the Megantic Club, Inc. should assume liability for maintaining this screen and keeping the screen free from all sticks, leaves, and debris. It is not indicated that the State, before making this investment, obtained any written assent from the owner of the land on which the dam was erected. Nor does it appear that the Megantic Club, or anyone else, was obligated other than as provided in Chapter 175. Thus, it does not seem that anyone other than the State would be held liable for the maintenance of the dam or anything in connection therewith.

If any facts are found to be other than here stated, of course the answer could be different.

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Enclosure