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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
BUFFALO, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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LIGHT
FEB 6 1915
HOUSES

Buffalo Lt.-Sta., etc., N.Y.
Rearrangement of salaries.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 10TH DISTRICT
ROOM 304, FEDERAL BUILDING
BUFFALO, N. Y.

February 4, 1915.

24 hr care for total of 22 lights
two acetylene requiring attention once
a week. 10 are lights or buoys re-
quiring daily attention. Fog bell at
Buffalo S. Pier Lt., and diaphone at
Buffalo S. Pier Lt. and Buffalo S. motor
boat furnished. Buffalo light is an i.o.v. fl.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

It is recommended that a readjustment of the salaries of the keepers of the Buffalo Light-Station, Horseshoe Reef Light, Buffalo North Breakwater South End Light, Buffalo South Pier Light, Niagara River Range Lights, Strawberry Island Upper and Lower Cut Range Lights, and Black Rock Channel Lights, N. Y., be made as follows:

	Present	Proposed	Remarks
Keeper	$624 p.a.	$780 p.a.	Quarters and fuel furnished
1st Asst. Keeper	600 p.a.	660 p.a.	Includes $120 p.a. to cover quarters and fuel
2d Asst. Keeper	480 p.a.	480 p.a.	Quarters and fuel furnished
3d Asst. Keeper	456 p.a.	480 p.a.	Quarters and fuel furnished
4th Asst. Keeper	576 p.a.	600 p.a.	Includes $120 p.a. to cover quarters and fuel
	2736	3000	

There are more aids to navigation in charge of the keepers of this station and the duties and responsibilities of the keepers are correspondingly greater than at any other station in the district. Since the salaries were fixed, the Black Rock Channel lights and the Horseshoe Reef Light have been added to the aids in charge of the keepers, and the salaries recommended

are considered necessary as adequate compensation for the work required.

It will be noted that the salaries recommended are not in excess of those paid at some other stations in the Service where the work and conditions involved are believed to be no greater nor more severe than at this station. For example - Sturgeon Bay Canal, Wis., Muskegon, Mich., and Chicago Harbor Outer Breakwater, Ill., in the 12th District.

If these recommendations are approved, it is requested that the appointment of Tom Holtan as per nomination on Form 73 of this date be issued at the new rate of compensation.

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