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October 9, 1937.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Chelsea, Mass.

1. As you doubtless know, an amount of $ 100,000. was appropriated in the Third Deficiency Appropriation and is now available for beginning and partially constructing Cleveland Ledge Light Station. The 1939 Budget carries an item of $ 75,000. for completing this project. Hearings on the Lighthouse Service Budget are to be held on Wednesday, October 13, 1937, and it is very desirable that the most recent information regarding this proposed project be made available.

2. Copies of your previous correspondence with the District Engineers furnished this office, indicate that detailed borings over an area tentatively selected for a suitable site for this aid, were to have been made by the U. S. Engineers, and doubtless either have been completed or are now in progress. Your advices as to present status are desired.

3. So far as you are now able to judge, your opinion is also desired as to the probability of obligating the tentative proposed allotment of $ 100000. prior to June 30, 1938.

4. Your reply should reach the Bureau not later than October 12, 1937.

For the Commissioner:

R. R. TINKHAM
Chief Engineer.

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Office of Superintendent, Second District,
Chelsea, Mass., October 11th, 1937.

Returned to the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Attached hereto for the Bureau's information is copy of a letter received at this office today in connection with the subject matter from the U. S. Engineers. The prints referred to therein are apparently in the mails as same have not as yet been received. Upon receipt, one copy will, however, be

promptly forwarded to the Bureau. In view of the non-receipt of the latter-mentioned data the most recent detailed information available at this time, as submitted by the Junior Engineer in this office is being forwarded herewith. It will be noted that jet probings were not taken at Cleveland Ledge. In accordance with instructions contained in district's letter of September 14th to the U. S. Engineers and indorsement thereon to the Jr. Engineer, copy of which was furnished to the Bureau, the bottom at Pocasset Ledge if found desirable was to be the site at which probings were to be taken and no survey of this nature was deemed necessary at Cleveland Ledge because of the favorable results obtained with probings at Pocasset Ledge.

As indicated in the table herewith enclosed, nineteen (19) probings were taken so as to determine more certainly the stratification and nature of the bottom in the immediate vicinity of the sites indicated by the Superintendent. The exact locations of each of these probings and other pertinent data as included on the U. S. Engineer's print as referred to above will, as stated, be forwarded to the Bureau promptly upon receipt here at this office.

The matter of advising the Bureau as to the probability of obligating the tentative proposed allotment of $100,000, prior to June 30, 1938, will have to be deferred until the Superintendent's return to this office either the latter part of this or the first of next week.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

J. H. Cowgill Jr.

Asst. Superintendent