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May 19th, 1924.

Mr. William Randolph Hearst,  
137 Riverside Drive,  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Hearst:

Enclosed at last is the proposal of  
the Midland Counties Public Service Corporation  
for Electrical service.

They will have men on the line the  
12th of June if we have the contract and \$11,000.  
ready on the 1st of June.

On the ranch are three miles of  
poles and lines in good condition, and one to two  
miles, principally those from the ranch house to  
San Simeon, and from the ranch house to the power  
house, in very poor shape. There are a number of  
transformers in perfect condition, and it looks  
as though our estimate for the complete installation  
was ample.

In going into costs carefully, I  
believe it will be economical to have the Power  
Company lend us their men and appliances on complet-  
ing the main line, to finish out the high power  
portion of line on your property and set the  
transformers. They are willing to do this.

Water: Yesterday I had Mr. Huber, the engineer  
whose report you approved, go with Mr. Rossi over the  
whole pipe line once more, following your suggestion  
of sweeping, where it was obviously possible, with  
the contour rather than making always straight lines  
with its consequent deep "V's" in the gulleys. They  
report that the Pine Mountain Springs are not  
running enough water to fill the present Pine Mountain  
water line and that larger pipe or reservoir capacity  
will be of no service to the Hill probably this year.

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The new catch basin at the springs and the mending of a broken section of the Chisholm Spring line would be all that would be effective on that line this summer. The present reservoir has not, so far as known, been full this winter. Garden and orchard were practically watered all winter.

The expense of the Pine Mountain Pipe line and reservoir could be put into the fall if you wish.

Yours very truly,

JM:G