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To South Island District Small Scale Salvage clients:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of changes to the Small Scale Salvage (SSS) program in the South Island Natural Resource District.

Commencing on October 24, 2011 the South Island District will collect a Silviculture Levy on Forestry Licence to Cut cutting authorities that incur a free growing obligation.

The silviculture levy will be equal to the district manager's cost estimate of silviculture liability to be incurred by the Crown. The silviculture levy will be assessed on a site by site basis and will depend on location, access, brush risk etc. The silviculture levy will not be collected on post harvest or decked timber cutting authorities.

The funds collected through the silviculture levy will be deposited into the Forest Stand Management Fund which will be used to pay for activities required to meet the Crown's reforestation obligation.

If you require further information regarding this direction please contact Heather Dunn at (250) 731-3089 or at Heather.Dunn@gov.bc.ca.

Yours truly,

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