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To: Timber Sales Leadership Team

From: Al Powelson  
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**Re: OIC 139 – Amendment of the BC Timber Sales Regulation**

The Lieutenant Governor in Council, by Order in Council (OIC) 139, has amended the BC Timber Sales Regulation (BCTSR) effective March 11, 2021.

The OIC removes 4 references to a type of non-replaceable forest licence issued under Section 13 (1.1) of the *Forest Act* which was introduced in the early 1990s. The holders of these forest licences had been excepted from the rule prohibiting the holders of major licences (i.e. those with AAC greater than 10,000 m<sup>3</sup>/yr) from registration in Category 2 (Cat 2).

The ability to issue this type of forest licence was repealed from the *Forest Act* in the early 2000s. However, the references to these licence types continued to be necessary in the BCTSR until the last of these licences expired in late 2019.

There are no more of these licences in use, nor can any more be issued. Removing references to this type of licence is simply good legislative housekeeping. In practical terms, nothing has changed with respect to the eligibility rules for registration in Cat 2.

A copy of the OIC is attached. If you have any questions, please contact BCTS HQ.

Sincerely,



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Attachment(s): OIC 139

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