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## **All BC Timber Sales Registrants**

Dear BC Timber Sales Registrant:

Further to my letter of February 27, 2017 (copy attached), I am pleased to advise that BC Timber Sales (BCTS) pilots relating to e-Bidding and bid deposits have been extended to October 31, 2018.

Until October 31, 2018, BCTS enterprises who register, or renew their registration, for the e-Bidding service through BC Bid will have the annual e-Bidding subscription cost covered by BCTS. The cost of registering or renewing registration for e-Bidding service after October 31, 2018, will be the responsibility of BCTS enterprises.

Note that for the duration of the e-Bidding pilot Timber Sale Licence (TSL) auction advertisements will be posted on the following websites: [www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca](http://www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca) and [www.apps.nrs.gov.bc.ca/pub/notices/](http://www.apps.nrs.gov.bc.ca/pub/notices/). However, TSL Particulars and related information will only be posted on the BC Bid website (i.e., [www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca](http://www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca)). As well, a short 1 min YouTube video demonstrating how to search the BC Bid website for information on past TSL auctions posted on BC Bid since the e-Bidding pilot commenced (i.e., April 1, 2017) can be found in the video link here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hLCYvmUPwKE>.

Lastly, please note that during the e-Bidding pilot period BCTS will continue to accept tenders for TSLs either through e-Bidding submission or by the current paper-based tender form method. However, in specific situations the Timber Sales Manager (TSM) may still require a bid deposit and, in those cases, applications will only be accepted by the paper-based tender form method at the Timber Sales Office that had advertised the TSL.

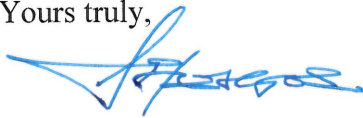
For information regarding registering for, and submitting, e-Bids please visit the following web page: <https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/bcts/>.

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I encourage you try out this innovative approach for offering you timber sale opportunities and submitting your tender applications.

If you have any questions, please call your local timber sales office.

Yours truly,



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