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Dear Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development,

The following is my response to government's request for input on the Old Growth Strategic Review.

1. What old growth means to you and how you value it.

I am an owner of Bailey Western Star Trucks and have been in business for 42 of years. My customers harvests old growth timber from the Vancouver Island working forest. Access to this working forest is critical to my company's future and success.

I value old growth because my company creates 22 local, stable, well-paid jobs in Campbell River, BC. These jobs allow people to work where they live and be part of the local community. My company has an annual payroll of \$1,000,000.00 . We contribute to the local economy and help make Campbell River a place where people can live AND work. Additionally, my company buys locally from a variety of suppliers, Esso, Columbia Fuels, Profab, Kal Tire, Associated Tire, and our work supports other businesses operating in Campbell River, BC.

2. Your perspective on how old growth is managed now

Old growth is sustainably managed now because it considers environmental, social, cultural and economic interests together:

1. Environmentally

BC has already protected a significant majority of its rainforests and old-growth.

BC is the most sustainably managed forest region in the world.

Please review and let me know if you have any questions,.

Thanks,
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