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Project Manager
Old Growth Strategic Review

Sent via e- mail: oldgrowthbc@gov.bc.ca

Attention: Al Gorley and Garry Merkel

RE: Old Growth Strategic Review

Thank you for providing the Husby Group of Companies the opportunity to participate in this review. Joe Morreau, President of the Husby Group, John Okamoto of J&G Log Works and myself were in attendance.

Husby believes the importance of old growth timber, in terms of its contribution to the Provincial economy and its support of the timber supply, has not diminished. Husby believes the value of old growth timber will continue to support the forest industry as it transitions towards a second growth timber supply.

Husby Forest Products Ltd.

- Over 40 years on Haida Gwaii
- Forest Licences (200,000m³ aac)
- 2017 harvest: 172,846m³ (90% old growth). The harvest of old growth supports the harvest and transportation of lesser- valued second growth timber.
- Sales value of timber: \$32.0MM
- 2017 direct employment: ~ 80 person years
- 2017 direct contribution to Haida Gwaii- based businesses: ~\$3.5 million
- 2017 stumpage paid: \$4,779,000

J&G Log Works

- Founded in 1995
- J&G custom cuts at three lower mainland sawmills
- Supports hundreds of mill jobs
- 2018- \$23.0MM spent on old growth log purchases and mill cutting charges
- Sales are mainly domestic and to local remanufacturers



Coastal Custom Cutting

- Greater than 90% of custom cutting uses old growth logs
- Approximately 2.5MMm³/ year of coastal old growth is custom cut
- Est. 10 sawmill facilities throughout Lower Mainland and South Vancouver Island rely on custom cutting old growth logs
- At least 50% of custom cut lumber is dried and/or remanufactured in B.C.
- Significant towing and trucking business
- Developing music wood and specialty products from old growth logs

Haida Gwaii old growth is sufficiently protected!

- Haida Gwaii: 1,006,310ha
- Gwaii Haanas: 147,000ha
- Provincial Parks: 67,000ha
- Heritage Sites and Conservancies: 256,000ha
- Ecological Reserves: 9,500ha
- THLB deletions (forest mngt. and HGLUOO): 379,064ha
- Haida Gwaii THLB (2019): 147,746 ha

The actual harvestable area within THLB (net of stand level reserves) is estimated 118,197ha (~80%). This equates to ~12% of entire Haida Gwaii.

Sincerely,
HUSBY FOREST PRODUCTS LTD.

Robert Sandberg, RPF
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