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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 a third generation timber harvesting contractor, owner of Tilt Contracting & KLG Timber Ltd and have been in business for 15+ years. My company harvests old growth timber from the Powell River working forest. Access to this working forest is critical to my company's future and success.

I value old growth because my company creates countless local, stable, well-paid jobs in Powell River. These jobs allow people to work where they live and be part of the local community. We contribute to the local economy and help make Powell River a place where people can live AND work. Additionally, my company buys locally from a variety of suppliers—Aero, NAPA, Lordco And Columbia Fuels to name a few and our work supports other businesses operating in Powell River area.

- 2. 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.

Thank You, Russ & Terri-Lynn Parsons Tilt Contracting Ltd./KLG Timber Ltd. 11120 Dulmage Rd Powell River B.C. V8A 0N5 604-487-4509 (O) 604-414-8843 (C)