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To: North Interior Executive Directors

From: Honourable Bruce Ralston, Minister of Forests

Re: Stumpage and Cutblock Blending in Mackenzie Timber Supply Area

Through this memorandum, and authorized under Section 105(1) of the *Forest Act*, I am extending a one-time opportunity to reconfigure any/all existing cutting authorities within the Mackenzie Timber Supply Area (TSA).

This opportunity is available to major forest tenure holders within the Mackenzie TSA with the following limitations:

- The licensee must acknowledge and accept in writing that any amended or new cutting authorities will expire August 31, 2025, with no possibility of extension or postponement.
- The Interior Appraisal Manual applies with exception to Section 1.4.2 (the maximum 7,850-hectare rule).
- Only new or unharvested cutblocks are available for re-blending.

I direct those responsible for stumpage determinations under the Interior Appraisal Manual to redetermine the stumpage rates for all cutting authorities amended for the purposes of reconfiguring cutblocks after the date of this memo.



Bruce Ralston
Minister

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