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To: Regional Managers - Interior

From: The Honourable Michael de Jong
Minister of Forests

Re: **Amendment No. 14 to the *Interior Appraisal Manual***

I hereby approve Amendment No. 14 to the *Interior Appraisal Manual* and attach a copy for your use.

Section 6.2, Cutting Authorities With 5,000 Cubic Metres or Less Volume has been changed.

This amendment will come into force on October 1, 2004. Further amendments or revisions to this manual require my approval.

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Minister of Forests

Attachment

pc: Bill Howard, Director, Revenue Branch

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Please make the following changes to your copy of the above Ministry manual. Please insert the following specified pages and **file this notice** immediately after the Amendments Tab.

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6.2 Cutting Authorities With 5 000 m³ or Less Volume

1. This subsection applies to a cutting authority area that has a total coniferous volume of 2 000 m³ or less :

- a. Sawlog Stumpage Rates by Forest Zone and Species

Where the licence to which the cutting authority area belongs has a coniferous allowable annual cut of less than 3 000 m³, or no coniferous allowable cut, the following method may apply:

- i. Except as provided in section 6.4, and in subsections (1)(a)(ii) and (1)(b) of this section, where a cutting authority area has 2 000 m³ or less of coniferous timber, the stumpage rate for each species of timber must be determined using the stumpage rate prescribed in table 6-1 for the forest zone in which the cutting authority area is located.
- ii. Where the licensee is not required to establish a free growing crop of trees on the cutting authority area, the stumpage rate for a species of timber shall be the sum of the rate prescribed in table 6-1 plus the basic silviculture cost for the species in the forest region or, where the Crown has the responsibility for silviculture, the basic silviculture levy as determined under section 6.7.
- iii. The stumpage rates calculated under this section are not adjusted quarterly.
- iv. For extensions of the cutting authority, see section 2.5(3).

- b. Full Appraisal

Alternatively, an indicated stumpage rate may be determined through a full appraisal. The stand data may be site-specific (i.e., timber cruised or scaled) or obtained from one or more comparable cutting authorities (e.g., similar stand and terrain characteristics, etc.). When choosing the comparative cruise data, the district manager may require that procedures in section 2.1.2.3 of the *Cruising Manual* be followed. The total stumpage rate is adjustable for the term of the cutting authority, except as provided in section 6.6.

Each full appraisal is made as described in chapters 3, 4 and 5.

2. Total coniferous volume of greater than 2 000 m³ to 5 000 m³.

An indicated stumpage rate is determined on the basis of full appraisal data. The data may be site-specific or the data may be obtained from comparable cutting authorities, as per section 2.1.2.3 of the *Cruising Manual*.

Each appraisal is made as described in chapters 3, 4 and 5.

These cutting authorities are cruised if specified by the regional manager in accordance with section 4.2 of this manual.

The total stumpage rate is adjustable for the term of the cutting authority, except as provided in section 6.6.