

Draft Regulations

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Forest Act
(R.S.Q., c. F-4.1)

Contribution payable to a regional agency for private forest development by holders of a wood processing plant operating permit — Amendments

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 12 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the rate per cubic metre of timber applicable to the computation of the contribution payable to a regional agency for private forest development by holders of a wood processing plant operating permit, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Government upon the expiry of 21 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to amend the rate per cubic metre of timber applicable to the contribution payable to a regional agency for private forest development by holders of a wood processing plant operating permit.

Under section 13 of the Regulations Act, the draft Regulation may be made within a period shorter than that provided for in section 11 of the Act, by reason of the urgency due to the following circumstances:

— the need to follow up on the commitments made by the partners during the Sommet de la forêt privée de 1995 which provided that the contribution of the industry would be \$8 M per year;

— the importance to reduce rapidly the rate fixed by regulation so that it applies as of the beginning of the next fiscal year of the agencies, considering that the surpluses paid by the industry to agencies are \$2.4 M and that they continue to accumulate.

Further information regarding the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Jacques Tremblay, Director of the Direction des programmes forestiers, Ministère des Ressources naturelles, 880, chemin Sainte-Foy, 5^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1S 4X4, telephone: (418) 627-8650, fax: (418) 646-9245.

Any interested person having comments to make on the draft Regulation is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 21-day period, to the Minister of Natural Resources, 5700, 4^e Avenue Ouest, bureau A-308, Charlesbourg (Québec) G1H 6R1.

JACQUES BRASSARD,
Minister of Natural Resources

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the rate per cubic metre of timber applicable to the computation of the contribution payable to a regional agency for private forest development by holders of a wood processing plant operating permit*

Forest Act
(R.S.Q., c. F-4.1, ss. 124.29, 124.30 and 172, par. 18.4)

1. Section 1 of the Regulation respecting the rate per cubic metre of timber applicable to the computation of the contribution payable to a regional agency for private forest development by holders of a wood processing plant operating permit is amended by substituting the amount "\$1.20" for the amount "1.45 \$" at the end of the section.

2. This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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* The Regulation respecting the rate per cubic metre of timber applicable to the computation of the contribution payable to a regional agency for private forest development by holders of a wood processing plant operating permit was made by Order in Council 1113-96 dated 4 September 1996 (1996, *G.O.* 2, 3979). The Regulation has not been amended since.