

(13) by substituting the following for criterion 7.3:

“7.3	Age:
7.3.1	20 years old
7.3.2	21 years old
7.3.3	22 years old
7.3.4	from 23 to 30 years old
7.3.5	31 years old
7.3.6	32 years old
7.3.7	33 years old
7.3.8	34 years old
7.3.9	35 years old
7.3.10	36 years old
7.3.11	37 years old
7.3.12	38 years old
7.3.13	39 years old
7.3.14	40 years old
7.3.15	41 years old
7.3.16	42 years old
7.3.17	43 years old
7.3.18	44 years old
7.3.19	45 years old”;

(14) by substituting the following for criterion 10:

“Has net assets of:

- (a) \$50 000
- (b) \$75 000
- (c) \$100 000
- (d) \$125 000
- (e) \$150 000
- (f) \$175 000
- (g) \$200 000
- (h) \$250 000
- (i) \$300 000
- (j) \$350 000
- (k) \$400 000
- (l) \$450 000
- (m) \$500 000”.

10. Sections 2, 5, 7 and 8 of this Regulation come into force on the thirtieth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*. Sections 1, 3, 4, 6 and 9 come into force on 17 September 2001.

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 501-2001, 2 May 2001

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

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 — Amendment

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

WHEREAS under section 124.29 of the Forest Act (R.S.Q., c. F-4.1), every holder of a wood processing plant operating permit who acquires a volume of timber originating from the territory of an agency shall pay a contribution to the agency;

WHEREAS under the same section, the contribution shall be established each year by the agency on the basis of a rate per cubic metre of timber, fixed by regulation of the Government, that is applicable to the volume of timber from private forests purchased by a permit holder in a year;

WHEREAS under paragraph 18.4 of section 172 of the Forest Act, the Government may, by regulation, fix 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 and determine the schedules according to which permit holders are required to file their statements with the agencies;

WHEREAS the annual contribution now exceeds the commitments made by the representatives of the forest industry at the Sommet sur la forêt privée in 1995 and it is expedient to reduce the rate per cubic metre of timber acquired from private forests;

WHEREAS by Order in Council 1113-96 dated 4 September 1996, the Government made 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;

WHEREAS in accordance with sections 10 and 12 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a draft of the Regulation attached to this Order in council was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 14 March 2001, with a notice that it could be made by the Government upon the expiry of 21 days following that publication;

WHEREAS the 21 days have expired;

WHEREAS under section 18 of the Regulations Act, a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* when the authority that has made it is of the opinion the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS under section 18 of the Act, the reason justifying such a coming into force shall be published with the regulation;

WHEREAS the Government is of the opinion that the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies such a coming into force:

— the need to follow up on the commitments made by the partners during the Sommet de la forêt privée in 1995 which provided that the contribution of the industry paid to agencies 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 surplus paid by the industry to the agencies are \$2.4 M and that they continue to accumulate;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Natural Resources:

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, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

JEAN ST-GELAIS,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 503-2001, 2 May 2001

Pharmaciens propriétaires — Determination of the conditions of remuneration provided for in the agreement

Determination of the conditions of remuneration provided for in the agreement entered into on 20 March 1997 by the Minister of Health and Social Services and the Association québécoise de pharmaciens propriétaires

WHEREAS under section 9 of the Act to provide for the maintenance of pharmaceutical services in Québec (2001, c. 1), the Government may determine by order what will stand in lieu of an agreement within the meaning of section 19 of the Health Insurance Act (R.S.Q., c. A-29) between the Minister of Health and Social Services and the Association québécoise de pharmaciens propriétaires;

* 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.