7.6 The Ministers shall register the forest management contracts made by the RCM in the forest registry.

7.7 An RCM exercising powers and responsibilities under this Program acts on its own behalf.

Subject to the special provisions contained in section 6, the RCM must respect the Act respecting the lands in the domain of the State and the Forest Act, as well as their regulations.

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8.1 The territorial management agreement has a fiveyear renewable term.

The Ministers re-assume sole responsibility for the management of the public intramunicipal lands and their forest resources they have delegated, upon the expiry of the land and forest management delegation.

In addition, the Ministers may terminate the delegation if the RCM fails to comply with the conditions and provisions governing the exercise of the delegation.

8.2 Upon the Ministers re-assuming responsibility for the management of the public intramunicipal lands and their forest resources that were under their delegation, the RCM must send to the Ministers such information as they may require including land and forest resource management books and records maintained by the RCM. The RCM must also hand over to the Ministers all records previously entrusted to it by them.

8.3 Any contestation from a holder of a right granted by the RCM that is attributable to differences in the management practices of the RCM and those of the Ministers shall be brought to their attention.

8.4 In the exercise of the powers and responsibilities delegated to it, the RCM undertakes to comply with the following conditions:

(1) not develop or permit any development projects on public intramunicipal lands or public intramunicipal territory under a land claims negotiation and identified in Schedule II to the territorial management agreement of Municipalité régionale de comté de La Haute-Côte-Nord, except with the consent of the Essipit or Betsiamites community;

(2) respect forest management investments until the final cut, before converting land to another purpose. In a special situation, the Ministère des Ressources naturelles, de la Faune et des Parcs undertakes to discuss with the RCM and, if the context so permits and on the basis of an inventory prepared by the RCM, the Department will authorize land use conversion;

(3) apply the future governmental shoreline management recommendations following the tabling of the report of the expert committee under the specific agreement on the erosion of the Côte-Nord shoreline;

(4) take into account the strategic policy orientations appearing in the policy framework for a Québec strategy for protected areas, adopted in June 2000, and its subsequent amendments.

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 273-2004, 24 March 2004

An Act to amend the Forest Act and other legislative provisions (2001, c. 6)

Amendment to Order in Council 825-2001 dated 27 June 2001

WHEREAS Order in Council 825-2001 dated 27 June 2001 fixes 31 March 2004 as the date of coming into force of paragraph 4 of section 70, section 91 to the extent that it enacts section 104.1, and section 122 to the extent that it enacts subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph of section 186.7 of the Act to amend the Forest Act and other legislative provisions (2001, c. 6);

WHEREAS that Order in Council fixes 1 April 2005 as the date of coming into force of sections 60, 77 and 130 of that Act;

WHEREAS the Act to amend the Forest Act and other legislative provisions and to enact certain special provisions applicable to forest management activities prior to 1 April 2006 (2003, c. 16) postponed the date of filing and of coming into force of the forest management plans based on the new delimitation of management units for one year;

WHEREAS it is expedient to fix 31 March 2005 as the date of coming into force of paragraph 4 of section 70, section 91 to the extent that it enacts section 104.1 and section 122 to the extent that it enacts subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph of section 186.7 of the Act to amend the Forest Act and other legislative provisions and to fix 1 April 2006 as the date of coming into force of sections 60, 77 and 130 of that Act;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Natural Resources, Wildlife and Parks and of the Minister for Forests, Wildlife and Parks:

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THAT the operative part of Order in Council 825-2001 dated 27 June 2001 be amended by replacing the fifth and sixth paragraphs by the following:

"THAT the coming into force of paragraph 4 of section 70, section 91 to the extent that it enacts section 104.1, and section 122 to the extent that it enacts subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph of section 186.7 of the Act be fixed at 31 March 2005;

THAT the coming into force of sections 60, 77 and 130 of the Act be fixed at 1 April 2006.".

ANDRÉ DICAIRE, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 327-2004, 31 March 2004

An Act respecting labour standards (R.S.Q., c. N-1.1)

Labour standards

- Amendments

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting labour standards

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 40, paragraph 1 of section 89 and section 91 of the Act respecting labour standards (R.S.Q., c. N-1.1), the Government may, by regulation, fix labour standards respecting the minimum wage;

WHEREAS the Government made the Regulation respecting labour standards (R.R.Q., 1981, c. N-1.1, r.3);

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Regulation;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a draft Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting labour standards was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 28 January 2004 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication; WHEREAS the 45-day period has expired;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Labour:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting labour standards, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

ANDRÉ DICAIRE, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting labour standards^{*}

An Act respecting labour standards (R.S.Q., c. N-1.1, ss. 40, 1st par., 89, par. 1 and s. 91)

1. Section 3 of the Regulation respecting labour standards is amended by replacing everything that follows "is:" by the following:

"(1) \$7.45 per hour, from 1 May 2004 to 30 April 2005; and

(2) \$7.60 per hour, as of 1 May 2005.".

2. Section 4 is amended by replacing everything that follows "is:" by the following:

"(1) \$6.70 per hour, from 1 May 2004 to 30 April 2005; and

(2) \$6.85 per hour, as of 1 May 2005.".

3. This Regulation comes into force on 1 May 2004.

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^{*} The Regulation respecting labour standards (R.R.Q., 1981, c. N-1.1, r.3) was last amended by the regulation made by Order in Council 638-2003 dated 4 June 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 1888). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 2003, updated to 1 September 2003.