Regulations and other acts

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 225-2007, 12 March 2007

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

Forest protection — Amendments

Regulation to amend the Forest Protection Regulation

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 128 of the Forest Act (R.S.Q., c. F-4.1), the expenses incurred by the forest protection organization to extinguish fires shall be refunded to it by the Minister, in whole or in part, at the rate determined by regulation of the Government and upon the production of vouchers;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 147.4 of the Act, the expenses incurred by the protection organization to implement the plans for the protection of the forest against destructive insects and cryptogamic diseases shall be reimbursed in whole or in part by the Minister, upon the production of vouchers, at the rate determined by regulation of the Government;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 11 of the first paragraph of section 172 of the Act, the Government may, by regulation, prescribe the rate of reimbursement of the expenses related to fire extinction contemplated in section 128 and to the plans contemplated in section 147.4;

WHEREAS the Government made the Forest Protection Regulation by Order in Council 1417-87 dated 16 September 1987;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Regulation to set new rates to apply as of 1 April 2007 to implement the measures announced on 20 October 2006 by the Government that improve the silvicultural investment strategy so as to support the forest industry;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a draft of the Regulation to amend the Forest Protection Regulation was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 29 December 2006 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS no comments on the draft Regulation were received before the expiry of that period;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendment:

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

THAT the Regulation to amend the Forest Protection Regulation, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

GÉRARD BIBEAU, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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Forest Act (R.S.Q., c. F-4.1, ss. 128, 2nd par., 147.4, 2nd par. and 172, 1st par., subpar. 11)

1. Section 1 of the Forest Protection Regulation is amended by adding the following paragraph:

"Despite the foregoing, the refund rate in the first paragraph is set at 100% for the period from 1 April 2007 to 31 March 2009."

- **2.** Section 2 is amended
 - (1) by replacing "146" by "147.4";
 - (2) by adding the following paragraph:

"Despite the foregoing, the refund rate in the first paragraph is set at 100% for the period from 1 April 2007 to 31 March 2009."

3. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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^{*} The Forest Protection Regulation, made by Order in Council 1417-87 dated 16 September 1987 (1987, *G.O.* 2, 3462), has not been amended since it was made.