# **Regulation to amend the Forest Protection Regulation**

Forest Act

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

**1**• The Forest Protection Regulation (R.R.Q., c. F-4.1, r.11) is amended in section 1 by replacing "1 April 2007 to 31 March 2010" in the second paragraph by "1 April 2007 to 31 March 2011".

**2.** Section 2 is amended by replacing "1 April 2007 to 31 March 2010" in the second paragraph by "1 April 2007 to 31 March 2011".

**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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Gouvernement du Québec

### **O.C. 181-2010**, 10 March 2010

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

#### Forestry fund — Contributions — Amendments

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting contributions to the forestry fund

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 73.4 of the Forest Act (R.S.Q., c. F-4.1), every holder of a timber supply and forest management agreement must, at such intervals as are determined by regulation of the Government, pay to the Minister of Natural Resources and Wildlife a contribution for the financing of activities related to forest management;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of that section, the contribution, paid into the forestry fund under section 73.5 of the Forest Act, is to be established by the Minister 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 allotted to the agreement holder in the agreement and is determined on the date or dates fixed by the regulation; WHEREAS, under section 95.2.1 of the Forest Act, sections 73.4 and 73.5 of the Act apply to the holder of a wood processing plant operating permit who has entered into an auxiliary timber supply guarantee agreement as if the permit holder were the holder of a timber supply and forest management agreement;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 92.0.2 of the Forest Act, a holder of a wood processing plant operating permit who acquires timber from an agreement holder authorized to send it to the permit holder must pay a contribution to the Minister for the financing of activities related to forest management;

WHEREAS, under the third paragraph of that section, the contribution paid into the forestry fund is to be established by the Minister on the basis of a rate per cubic metre of timber, set by regulation of the Government, applicable to the volume of timber acquired by the holder of a wood processing plant operating permit from the agreement holder;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph of section 92.0.3 of the Forest Act, the Minister may, if considered expedient by the Minister, accredit the holder of a wood processing plant operating permit to enable the permit holder to obtain a management permit in a management unit to supply the holder's plant where a volume of timber is made available following a person's waiver of the right provided for in a reservation agreement entered into pursuant to section 170.1 or by reason of the failure by that person to exercise that right in a previous year;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 92.0.11 of the Forest Act, in such a case, the holder of a wood processing plant operating permit must also pay a contribution to the Minister for the financing of activities related to forest management;

WHEREAS, under the third paragraph of that section, the contribution paid into the forestry fund is to be established by the Minister on the basis of a rate per cubic metre of timber, set by regulation of the Government, applicable to the volume of round timber indicated in the accreditation;

WHEREAS, under subparagraphs 18.2 and 18.2.1 of the first paragraph of section 172 of the Forest Act, the Government may, by regulation, set the rate referred to in the second paragraph of section 73.4 and in the third paragraph of sections 92.0.2 and 92.0.11 and determine the date and other terms of payment of the contribution referred to in those sections; WHEREAS the Government made the Regulation respecting contributions to the forestry fund (R.R.Q., c. F-4.1, r.2);

WHEREAS the Regulation was amended by Order in Council 1188-2006 dated 18 December 2006 in order to set, as of 1 January 2007, new rates to implement the measure consisting in resuming charge of forest seedling production to enhance the Silvicultural Investment Strategy to support the forest industry;

WHEREAS the Regulation was amended by Order in Council 536-2009 dated 6 May 2009 in order to extend until 31 March 2010 the period during which the rates referred to in sections 2 and 3.3 of the Regulation will be effective;

WHEREAS it is expedient to again amend the Regulation in order to extend until 31 March 2011 the period during which the rates referred to in sections 2 and 3.3 of the Regulation will be effective;

WHEREAS, under section 12 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a proposed regulation may be made without having been published if the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

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

WHEREAS, under sections 13 and 18 of that Act, the reason justifying the absence of prior publication and such coming into force must be published with the regulation;

WHEREAS the Government is of the opinion that the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies the absence of prior publication and such coming into force of the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting contributions to the forestry fund:

— the amendments in the Regulation attached to this Order in Council extend by one year the assistance measure; without the extension, the forest industry will have to pay the costs for forest seedling production for the reforestation of Québec's public forests during that period;

— since the forest industry is already greatly affected by the current financial crisis, any delay in the coming into force of the Regulation would expose the industry to additional expenses, which could lead to layoffs and plant closures in the regions; WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation;

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

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting contributions to the forestry fund, 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. 73.4, 92.0.2, 92.0.11, 95.2.1 and 172, 1st par., subpars. 18.2 and 18.2.1)

**1**. The Regulation respecting contributions to the forestry fund (R.R.Q., c. F-4.1, r. 2) is amended in section 2 by replacing "31 March 2010" in the second paragraph by "31 March 2011".

**2.** Section 3.3 is amended by replacing "31 March 2010" in the second paragraph by "31 March 2011".

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

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## Notice

An Act respecting collective agreement decrees (R.S.Q., c. D-2)

#### Entretien d'édifices publics – Montréal — Attendance allowance and travelling expenses of the members of the Comité paritaire

The Minister of Labour, Sam Hamad, hereby gives notice, in accordance with section 19 of the Act respecting collective agreement decrees (R.S.Q., c. D-2), that the Regulation respecting the attendance allowance and travelling expenses of the members of the Comité paritaire de l'entretien d'édifices publics, région de Montréal, adopted by the Comité paritaire de l'entretien d'édifices publics, région de Montréal, at its meeting of 22 July 2009, has been approved with amendments by the Government (Order in Council 232-2010 dated 17 March 2010) and comes into force on 17 March 2010.

JOCELIN DUMAS, Deputy Minister of Labour