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December 12, 2006

Doug Meske, RPF, Regional Engineer  
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Dear Doug Meske:

Your forest stewardship plan (FSP) submission, dated November 24, 2006 and revised December 10, 2006 for the Nootka Region Operating Area in the Campbell River Forest District, has now been fully reviewed.

**Determination**

I am satisfied that the proposed plan has been prepared and submitted in accordance with the requirements of the *Forest and Range Practices Act (FRPA)* (the *Act*) and regulations. Accordingly, as the Delegated Decision-Maker, I hereby approve your FSP amendment under Section 16(1) of the Act.

The term of the plan, which was originally approved on September 15, 2005 for 5 years, is hereby extended to 5 years from the date of this amendment approval (December 12, 2011).

Further development taking place by the proponents on the licences specified within the FSP amendment text, must be carried out in accordance with the amended FSP.

**Conditions**

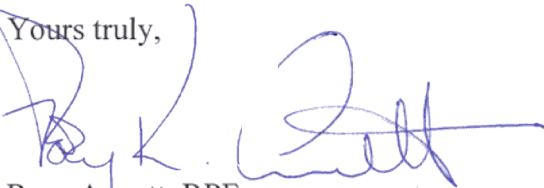
The condition attached to the September 15, 2005 approval is hereby removed, as a result of revisions made to the FSP text.

A detailed rationale will be communicated shortly under a separate cover. Please contact me if you require clarification on any aspect of this determination.



Doug Meske

Yours truly,



Rory Annett, RPF  
District Manager

pc: Larry Fehr, President, Nootka Sound Economic Development Corporation  
Harry Barrett, Operations Manager, International Forest Products Ltd.  
Corby Lamb, Ehattesaht First Nation  
Acting Chief Jack and Council, Ka:'yu:k't'h'/Che:k:tes7et'h' First Nation  
Chief Smith and Councillors, Ehattesaht Tribe  
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