

Notice to intending applicants

For non-replaceable Forest Licence A76553 in the Quesnel Forest District of the Quesnel Timber Supply Area

Pursuant to section 13 (2) and 14.1 of the Forest Act, the Minister of Forests has authorized the Regional Manager of the Southern Interior Forest Region to invite "persons" to submit an application for a non-replaceable forest licence to salvage stands of beetle killed timber from specific areas of Crown land within the Quesnel Forest District of the Quesnel Timber Supply Area.

Non-replaceable Forest Licence A76553 will have a term of 15 years and an allowable annual cut (AAC) of 700 000 cubic metres per year from stands meeting the licence criteria.

The successful applicant will be required to construct a new timber processing facility(s) and/or expand an existing timber processing facility(s) to meet the licence specifications. The facility proposed in the application must have a minimum input capacity, 40 percent greater than the AAC or equivalent log volume, of any combination of forest licences awarded under Section 14.1 of the Forest Act. The new or expanded timber processing facility(s) required by

this licence cannot be designed to produce dimensional softwood lumber (includes metric and imperial sized and J-grade) or similar items (such as boards, cants, flooring and siding), whether or not planed, sanded, or finger-jointed. Any applications not meeting this criteria, will be considered ineligible for this licence opportunity.

The successful applicant will be required to undertake all operational planning, engineering, and silviculture work and associated costs under this licence in accordance with the Forest and Range Practices Act and any associated regulations.

All eligible applications will be evaluated on the basis of highest lump sum bonus offer, pursuant to Section 13(4) of the Forest Act, not on the basis of the processing facility(s) proposed to be constructed and/or expanded to meet the licence requirements.

Send applications to:
Regional Manager
Ministry of Forests
Southern Interior Forest Region
515 Columbia Street
Kamloops, British Columbia, Canada V2C 2T7

Applications must be submitted in sealed containers marked "Application and Tender for Non-replaceable Forest Licence A76553 Quesnel Forest District, Quesnel Timber Supply Area" and must be received on, or before, 14:00 PM (PST) hours on Thursday, March 10, 2005. Applications received after this deadline will not be accepted.

Tender packages or additional information can be obtained by contacting either the Regional Manager of the Southern Interior Forest Region at 250-828-4131, or the District Manager of the Quesnel Forest District at 250-992-4400



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