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Dear Gerry,

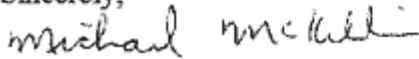
Re: The two new options presented to the stakeholders by the assessments department on the rates and classifications for the forest industry.

We have read over the options and have found both to be quite unacceptable. Though it is more than likely unintentional these options appear to represent what we are trying to get away from, only in a more glorified manner.

The contract community including the independent fallers already subsidize the income of these forest licence holders by being who we are. Why would we condone any option that would continue to create an uneven playing field and quite possibly increase the subsidy to the forest companies we indirectly work for.

The independent fallers remain in full support of the original option 1. Make the interim agreement the full time agreement.

Sincerely,



Michael McKibbin  
Independent fallers representative.