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Dear Richard

Re: Forest Certification

As you may be aware, Forests NSW was independently certified as compliant with the Australian Forestry Standard (AS 4708) in December 2006.

Forest certification has become an increasingly important method of showing consumers that timber products are produced in a sustainable and legal way. The strength of this claim is reinforced through the independent nature of the Australian Forestry Standard (AFS), its national and international recognition and independence of the auditing process.

Forests NSW gained certification, in part, as a response to requests from its customers. It is important therefore that all customers now recognise that they have the opportunity to benefit from Forests NSW's certification to the AFS. You can use this strength to open new markets as well as increase or help maintain market share for your timber products in existing markets both domestically and overseas. As Grants Holding Co Pty Ltd are a major customer of Forests NSW and hold a 20 year Wood Supply Agreement with Forests NSW and the NSW Government, all Cypress sawlogs sold under this agreement are AFS certified.

I have enclosed a copy of our AFS certificate specific to your area(s) of supply. More information on the AFS is available from the Forests NSW website. If you have questions specific to Forests NSW forest certification you should contact John Samuels, Forests NSW Certification Officer (Tel: 02 9872 0520, Email: John.Samuels @sf.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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