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**VIA FAX to (250) 956-5005**

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Dear Chuck van Hemmem:

**Re: Audit of Forest Planning and Practices, Richmond Plywood Corporation Limited, Forest Licence A19243**

The Board concludes that the Ministry of Forests has fulfilled the requirements of the recommendation and the audit file is now closed.

The Board has reviewed your email and attached policy dated June 28, 2004, detailing the steps that the district, as well as the Coast Forest Region has taken to address the Board's recommendation in the February 2004 report, Audit of Forest Planning and Practices, Richmond Plywood Corporation Limited, Forest Licence A19243. Through this email and policy you have adequately notified the Board of the steps that have been taken to implement the Board's recommendation.

The Board is encouraged that the Ministry of Forests has taken the response from this recommendation a step forward and has issued a province wide memorandum with respect to Forest Service Bridge Closures – see attached memorandum.

The Board considers that you have met the recommendation in the report and the file is now closed although the Board may choose to revisit your responses in the course of a future compliance or enforcement audit.

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I would like to thank you again for the co-operation shown by you and your staff during this audit.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bruce Fraser".

Bruce Fraser, PhD  
Chair

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