

FOREST PRODUCTS COMMISSION — CONTRACTS OF SALE

1213. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Forestry:

I refer to regulation 148(c) of the *Forest Management Regulations 1993*, made under the *Conservation and Land Management Act 1984*, which specifies that ‘Upon application and payment of the fee, if any ... the CEO shall provide any person with ... a copy of any ... contract’, where contract includes contract of sale, and to the *November 2013 Opinion of the Auditor General* that a decision by the Minister for Forestry not to provide copies of three contracts of sale to Parliament was not reasonable and was therefore not appropriate, and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister please table the contracts of sale between the Forest Products Commission and:
  - (i) Auswest Timbers Pty Ltd;
  - (ii) Hexan Holdings Pty Ltd trading as Whiteland Milling;
  - (iii) Nannup Timber Processing Pty Ltd;
  - (iv) Middlesex Mill Pty Ltd;
  - (v) Simcoa Operations Pty Ltd; and
  - (vi) WA Chip and Pulp Co Pty Ltd; and
- (b) If no to any part of (a), why not?

**Hon Ken Baston replied:**

- (a) (i)–(vi) A copy of each of the contracts is enclosed\*. Commercially sensitive information has been redacted.
- (b) Due to information contained within the contracts being commercially sensitive I am tabling redacted contracts.

[See tabled paper no 1767.]

\*Please note that the tabled contracts are current contracts as at 6 August 2014.