

FORESTRY — INDUSTRY SUPPORT

1124. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Minister for Forestry:

I refer to your answer to my question without notice asked on 15 November 2022, and I ask, what is the amount each of the 24 individual forestry businesses have been approved to receive under the Business Transition Program in part 3 of my question from 15 November 2022?

Hon Jackie Jarvis replied:

The 24 individual forestry businesses received a total of \$22,911,960 under the *Business Transition Programs*, Program 1.

Payments to each business under this program have been calculated based on eligible Forest Products Commission base-contract volumes.

For each of the sawmills, payment was calculated at \$180 per tonne of sawlog and \$35 per tonne of other bole volume and 50% volume at \$180 per tonne and 50% volume at \$35 per tonne for whole bole log.

For each of the harvest or haulage companies, the payment includes a base restructure payment for each eligible business and an additional variable payment calculated at \$35 per tonne of other bole volume for harvest or haulage businesses with other bole volume contracts.

The *Business Transition Programs* also includes additional funding for:

- (a) Program 2: Statutory Redundancy Reimbursement.
- (b) Program 3: Site Clean-up, Decommissioning or Equipment Reimbursement Payment.