

NATIVE FOREST — LOGGING — PROCESSORS

84. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the minister representing the Minister for Forestry:

I refer to the minister's answer to question without notice 1177, asked in December, which identified that 12 timber mills received letters at 2022 timber contract levels, and to question without notice 25, asked on Thursday, 17 June 2022, which avoided answering in detail. Again I ask about those 12 sawmills with current Forest Products Commission contracts.

- (1) What is the current contracted annual volume by species and growth for each sawmill in cubic metres or metric tonnes?
- (2) What is the volume of the timber in cubic metres or metric tonnes that the FPC has identified for each sawmill as a 2022 block supply volume, as stated in the FPC letters identified in question without notice 1177?
- (3) If the minister cannot specify these amounts, why not?

Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:

I thank the member for the question. The following information has been provided by the Minister for Forestry.

- (1)–(3) The Forest Products Commission is seeking legal advice on this question. The Minister for Forestry will endeavour to answer by the first sitting date in March, being 15 March 2022.