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Hon Dr Steve Thomas; Hon Alannah MacTiernan

NATIVE FOREST — LOGGING — PROCESSORS

1177. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the minister representing the Minister for Forestry:

I refer to the government's announcement on 8 September 2021 of the ending of most native timber harvesting in Western Australia, and to question without notice 1130.

- (1) Can the minister confirm that processors have been receiving correspondence that includes the expected level of log supply in the 2022 calendar year?
- (2) How many such letters have been sent to processors?
- (3) For how many of those processors is the volume indicated in 2022 lower than their contracted volume?
- (4) For each timber processor who received such a letter, can the minister please provide the contracted volume, the volume received in 2021 and the proposed volume for 2022?

Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:

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

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The number is 12.
- (3)–(4) All sawmills have been advised that they will receive volume in 2022 equivalent to the average of the previous two years of deliveries to their sawmill.