

WHEREAS the 15-day period has expired;

WHEREAS, under section 18 of the Regulations Act, a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or between that date and the date applicable under section 17 where the authority that has made it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS, under that section, the reason justifying such coming into force shall be published with the regulation;

WHEREAS the Government is of the opinion that it is urgent that the Regulation come into force on 1 April 2004 since the contribution to the forestry fund is used to fund the activities related to forest management and it is essential, considering the importance of the activities, that a rate become effective on that date to ensure that the funding of the activities of the forestry fund is not affected;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendments;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Natural Resources, Wildlife and Parks and the Minister for Forests, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the contribution of holders of certain contracts and agreements to the forestry fund, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

ANDRÉ DICAIRE,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the contribution of holders of certain contracts and agreements to the forestry fund*

Forest Act
(R.S.Q., c. F-4.1, ss. 73.4, 95.2.1, 104.5 and 172,
1st. par., subpar. 18.2)

1. The Regulation respecting the contribution of holders of certain contracts and agreements to the forestry fund is amended in section 1

(1) by striking out “within a fiscal year” after “forestry fund”;

(2) by adding “of a fiscal year” after “1 January”;

(3) by further adding “according to the rate applicable on the payment date” at the end of the sentence before the period.

2. Section 2 is replaced by the following:

“**2.** The rate applicable on the payment contribution dates provided for in section 1 is \$0.1725 per cubic metre of timber.”.

3. Section 3 is amended by striking out “quarterly” and by inserting “payment” before “contribution dates” in the first paragraph.

4. This Regulation comes into force on 1 April 2004.

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 298-2004, 29 March 2004

An Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie
(R.S.Q., c. R-6.01)

Energy produced by cogeneration — Amendment

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting energy produced by cogeneration

WHEREAS, under subparagraphs 2.1 and 2.2 of the first paragraph of section 112 of the Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie (R.S.Q., c. R-6.01), the Government made the Regulation respecting energy produced by cogeneration by Order in Council 1319-2003 dated 10 December 2003;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Regulation;

WHEREAS, under section 12 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a proposed regulation may be made without having been published as provided in section 8 of that Act, if the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS, under section 18 of that Act, a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* where the authority that has made it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

* The Regulation respecting the contribution of holders of certain contracts and agreements to the forestry fund, made by Order in Council 328-2002 dated 20 March 2002 (2002, *G.O.* 2, 1673), has been amended once, by the regulation made by Order in Council 438-2003 dated 21 March 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 1320).

WHEREAS, under sections 13 and 18 of that Act, the reason justifying the absence of prior publication and such coming into force shall be published with the regulation;

WHEREAS the Government is of the opinion that the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies the absence of prior publication and the coming into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*:

— in the interval before the Régie de l'énergie gives its opinion, expected at the latest on 30 June 2004, on a secure energy supply for Quebecers in relation to electrical power supplies and the contribution from the Suroît project, it is essential to eliminate the requirement for the electric power distributor to proceed with the tender solicitation to take place no later than 6 April 2004, so as not to affect government policy regarding cogeneration and to clarify the situation as it applies to the distributor and to the enterprises interested in tendering;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Natural Resources, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting energy produced by cogeneration, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

ANDRÉ DICAIRE,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting energy produced by cogeneration*

An Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie (R.S.Q., c. R-6.01, s. 112, 1st par., subpars. 2.1 and 2.2)

1. Section 2 of the Regulation respecting energy produced by cogeneration is revoked.

2. This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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M.O., 2004

Order number AM 2004-009 of the Minister of Natural Resources, Wildlife and Parks and the Minister for Forests, Wildlife and Parks dated 25 March 2004

Forest Act
(R.S.Q., c. F-4.1 ; 2003, c. 8 et 16)

Regulation respecting unit rates applicable to the calculation of dues for forest management permits for the supply of wood processing plants

THE MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES, WILDLIFE AND PARKS AND THE MINISTER FOR FORESTS, WILDLIFE AND PARKS,

CONSIDERING the third paragraph of section 5 of the Forest Act (R.S.Q., c. F-4.1) which provides that the Minister shall determine the unit rates for the classes of forest management permits for which the unit rates have not been determined by regulation of the Government;

CONSIDERING section 72 of that Act which provides that the Minister shall determine the unit rate corresponding to the stumpage value according to the rules of calculation determined by regulation of the Government;

CONSIDERING Order in Council number 372-87 dated 18 March 1987 according to which the Government made the Regulation respecting forest royalties;

CONSIDERING that, in accordance with sections 2 and 7 of that Regulation, it is expedient to establish the unit rates for the stumpage value applicable to the calculation of the dues payable by the holder of a forest management permit for the supply of a wood processing plant for the 2004-2005 fiscal year;

CONSIDERING that, in accordance with sections 10, 12 and 13 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), a draft of the Regulation attached to this Order was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 18 February 2004 with a notice that it could be made by the Minister upon the expiry of a 30-day period following that publication;

* The Regulation respecting energy produced by cogeneration, made by Order in Council 1319-2003 dated 10 December 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 3801), has not been amended since it was made.