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## 3 Te Waihou Plantations Limited (Te Waihou) Case No. 2010 20106 (Consent)

We refer to our email of 19 December with which we attached the statutory declaration of Peter Mertz as part of the reporting requirements of the Consent. We now have received information from Te Waihou on condition 6 and condition 8 of the Consent.

With regard to condition 6, Te Waihou has advised that it is fully abiding by its requirement to replant. At this point this has been by way of a direct contract management for radiata seedlings and via two forestry rights with Carter Holt Harvey Pulp & Paper Limited (CHH) for eucalyptus seedlings. In the 2011 planting season the total area planted was approximately 338 hectares of radiata and 325 hectares of eucalyptus by CHH under one forestry right.

This year Te Waihou is preparing 480 hectares of land for replanting into radiata. The seeds were purchased last year and are currently being grown on Te Waihou's behalf under the direction of Te Waihou's local operational manager, New Zealand Forest Managers Limited (**NZFM**) at local nurseries in preparation for planting this year. CHH is also to plant 1,125 hectares of eucalyptus under the second forest right and have operations underway to prepare and plant this in 2012. This totals 2,318 hectares of land being almost all of the bare land available for re-establishment.

As evidence of the direct planting, please see the **attached** copy of NZFM's accounts for the month of August 2011 which shows that month's restocking costs and areas.

With regard to condition 8, Te Waihou advised that contact has been made with DOC with respect to ecological areas to arrange an initial meeting. Currently work is underway to establish who the correct DOC personnel are and under which regional office(s) the various Te Waihau line holdings are located before consultation can begin.

Yours faithfully

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