

File: 10550-20/Section 52 FA Transmission Line

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Dear Eugene;

This is an authorization under *Forest Act* Section 52 to harvest Crown Timber on Crown Land by an agent of the government defined through legislation. This authorization expires on March 29, 2026.

TIMBER AND TERM

- In this authorization "harvest" means cut and remove.
- In accordance with section 52 (2)(a) of the *Forest Act*, this authorization is an agreement under the *Forest Act* for the purposes of the definition of "forest practice" under the *Forest and Range Practices Act* (FRPA)
- BC Hydro is authorized to harvest the Crown timber within a provincial forest, described below and as specified in the map attached as Appendix A.
- BC Hydro may harvest timber, unrestricted by volume, during the term limited to the following:
 - o Trees contained within the section 52 authorized area, as shown in Appendix A
- The Holder has the right to enter and use Crown Land within the area specified in Appendix A for the purpose of fulfilling this authorization.

OTHER CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

• In accordance with section 52(3) of the *Forest Act*, the *Forest and Range Practices Act* applies to this authorization as if the authorization were a Forestry Licence to Cut.

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- The Licensee is required to the extent practicable, limit their harvesting of timber to the amount only required to safely conduct operations.
- Timber harvested under this Section 52 authorization is to be marked to adjacent Occupant Licence to Cut L50651, along with waste assessment.
 - o BC Hydro must adhere to the Occupant License to Cut #11 Management Plan
 - Timber waste produced under this authorization may not be removed from the section 52 authorization area and/or area under adjacent Occupant Licence to Cut L50651.
- Ensure proper wildfire hazard assessment in accordance with section 7 of the Wildfire Act.

OPERATIONS

• You must notify the District Manager through the PeaceDistrict.Tenures@gov.bc.ca before starting up and on completion of operations.

INDEMNITY & LIABILITY The holder of this authorization must indemnify the Province against and save it harmless from all claims, demands, suits, actions, causes of action, costs expenses and losses faced, incurred or suffered by the Province as a result, directly or indirectly, of any act or omission of:

- (a) the Holder;
- (b) an employee or agent of the Holder;
- (c) a contractor of the Holder who engages in any activity or carries out any operation, including but not restricted to the cutting or removal of timber, under or associated with this authorization; or
- (d) any other person who on behalf of or with the consent of the Holder engages in any activity or carries out any operation, including but not restricted to the cutting or removal of timber, under or associated with this authorization.
- For greater certainty, the Holder of this authorization has no obligation to indemnify the Province in respects of any act or omission of:
 - (a) an employee, agent or contractor of the Province, in the course of carrying out his or her duties as employee, agent or contractor of the Province; or
 - (b) a person, other than the Holder, to whom the Province has granted the right to use or occupy Crown land, in the course of exercising those rights.
- The Province is not liable to the Holder for injuries, losses, expenses, or costs incurred or suffered by the person as a result, directly or indirectly, of an act or omission of a person who is not a party to the authorization, including but not

restricted to an act or omission of a person disrupting, stopping or otherwise interfering with the person's operations under the authorization by road blocks or other means.

SIGNED by Dave Francis,

Deputy District Manager

Appendix A - Map

