

Dear < NAME OF MLA >

We recently sent you, by email, a commentary on the state of our forests. You may find it useful to have the enclosed hard-copy version.

We asked you, as an individual with a commitment to the best interests of our province and as a person with a very special role in making public policy, to consider in a non-partisan way, how forest policy might be changed so that Nova Scotia can regain a healthy natural forest. We are convinced that by following the recommendations of the 2010 Natural Resource Strategy consultation and of the Lahey review, that goal can be achieved.

We recognize that you will want to make up your own mind on this issue, so we urge you to visit some recent and some older clearcuts to decide for yourself whether you can share our sense of urgency. We invite you to contact us for further information and we repeat our earlier request that you respond to the three questions we posed in our commentary.

Respectfully yours,

Mike Lancaster, Coordinator

Healthy Forest Coalition