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The Hon Jeremy Rockliff
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Ongoing access to Hobart Port

Dear Premier,

In March of this year, I wrote to the former Premier seeking confirmation of the State Government's commitment to maintaining and improving access for the forestry industry to Hobart Port, particularly considering the recent announcement of a proposed new stadium adjacent to the port.

As you would be aware the forestry industry in southern Tasmania depends on the Hobart Port as a key piece of infrastructure in its export supply chain. Last financial year, the industry exported 162 000 tonnes of logs through the Hobart Port together with a range of other forest products.

Earlier this month I was delighted to receive the former Premier's response confirming the State Government's commitment to ensure ongoing access to Macquarie Wharf at Hobart Port as a sustainable transport option for forest products. Furthermore, he reiterated the State Government's commitment to progress the construction of a northern access road to Macquarie Wharf, as set out in the Hobart City Deal, securing and improving access to the port whilst at the same time removing the heavy freight task from Evans Street.

I have conveyed the State Government's re-commitment to construct a northern access road to Macquarie Wharf and to maintain Hobart Port as a working port to our key exporting stakeholders in Tasmania and they, like me, were delighted. We thank the State Government for their ongoing commitment to the forestry sector.

I have attached the former Premier's response to my recent letter for your information. If you or your staff have any queries or need further expansion on the points raised above, please contact our CEO Penny Wells on [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely,

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Chair, Private Forests Tasmania