

# THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF HUDSON BAY NO. 394

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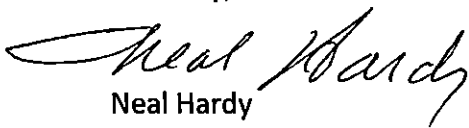
Re: Review of the Canada Transportation Act

The Community of Hudson Bay located in North Eastern Saskatchewan, relies on the forest products industry as it is the main industrial source supporting the local economy. The Hudson Bay mill employs 180 people and the forestry operation employs approximately another 150. Not only does the forest products industry provide jobs it also provides economic benefits within the community. Reliable rail service is essential for exporting of the forest products and maintaining relations with global customers. The Hudson Bay facilities are currently experiencing insufficient rail shipping capacity that prevents goods from reaching market.

The Rural Municipality of Hudson Bay No. 394 supports the Forest Products Association of Canada's recommendations and encourages the review of the Canada Transportation Act with consideration to increased access to rail systems creating competitive rates and a more reliable shipping service. Improved rail service in Hudson Bay, Saskatchewan is necessary to achieve cost effective shipment of forest products that will ensure the forestry industry realizes long term viability within our community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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