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Ms Helen Burnet MP
Member for Clark
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Dear Ms Burnet

Thank you for your constituent question asked on 3 March 2026 in Parliament, regarding Sustainable Timber Tasmania's (STT) engagement with industry towards establishing new contracts for native log supply, as most of the current agreements are set to expire in 2027.

STT has advised that negotiations on contracts are ongoing.

In late 2025, the Federal government made changes to the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act*.

STT will take the EPBC changes into account but intends to continue negotiating supply agreements with customers to ensure they have long term certainty.

The Tasmanian Government continues to closely engage with the Australian Government regarding its EPBC reforms and to ensure that our sustainable and renewable forestry industry can continue beyond the 2027 transition.

Thank you for raising these matters in Parliament, I trust this information is helpful.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Felix Ellis".

Felix Ellis MP
Minister for Business, Industry and Resources

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