

ST. REGIS PAPER Co.,
Tacoma, Wash., February 19, 1965.

DEAR MR. WHITE: I am certainly pleased that you solicited our opinion on one specific feature of log exports from the State of Washington. The contention by some that log exports are being encouraged by the larger companies is, in my opinion, in error.

Quite the contrary. St. Regis has never publicly encouraged or fostered the export of logs, feeling, rather, that the total effect on the lumber business in the State of Washington, when lumber mills of all varying sizes are considered, is adverse, since it raises the average price of timber sales without the commensurate increase in the return of lumber.

With specific reference to St. Regis, we most certainly do not and will not export our own logs, replacing our own mill requirements with public sales.

While it is true that a number of companies have sold logs in export, our own philosophy, and the philosophy of many others, is to do this only with logs of a quality our own mills cannot use, or logs which are geographically separated from our own plants to a point where it is not feasible, economically, to transport them long distances.

This, I hope, is the information you desire.

Very truly yours,

W. R. HASELTON,
Vice President.

BOISE CASCADE CORP.,
Yakima, Wash., March 3, 1965.

DEAR MR. WHITE: Your letter of February 18 to Mr. Hansberger relative log export matters has been referred here for reply. The major portion of our present timberland holdings in the Northwest are located east of the Cascades and we consequently have not been very much involved in the log export problem. We therefore believe it is not appropriate for us to take a specific position in this controversy at the present time.

Since we currently purchase a substantial amount of our timber requirements for our operating units from public agencies, we certainly would not consider it wise to attempt to enter the export log market to any substantial degree, thereby increasing our dependence on public timber purchases.

Yours very truly,

S. B. MOSER,
Vice President and General Manager,
Wood Products Division.

RAYONIER, INC., Hoquiam, Wash., February 25, 1965.

Rayonier is not now a purchaser of public stumpage. We have consequently had no need or occasion to consider your question in terms of Company policy, nor do I expect that we will have in the immediate foreseeable future.

As a matter of principle I would certainly not view such practice favorably.

L. J. FORREST (F).

EVANS PRODUCTS Co., Portland, Oreg., March 1, 1965.

DEAR MR. WHITE: Thank you for your letter of February 18, 1965. We do not wish to make a statement for publication of our company's policy on the matter involved.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity.

Yours very truly,

C. CALVERT KNUDSEN.

From: A. W. Greeley, U.S. Forest Service, Washington, D.C.

To: A Seymour, Manager, Greater Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce, Ketchikan, Alaska.

The Treasury report was prepared as a staff paper for discussion with Agriculture. Unfortunately, it received public distribution raising questions whether Agriculture will make abrupt changes in its management policies. Treasury overlooks Alaska's expanding Japanese trade in cants and squares and the desirability of increases. Also overlooked are multiple use and technical constraints on reducing timber rotations to permit higher annual cuts.

We do not plan any change in the primary manufacture policy in Alaska.