



Province of
British Columbia

Ministry of
Forests



FREE USE PERMIT (MINING)

NO. _____

_____, 19____

("Permittee")

(Address)

Under Section 46 of the *Forest Act*, the parties agree as follows:

1.00 GRANT OF RIGHTS

1.01 Subject to this Free Use Permit and in consideration of the Permittee's covenants in it, the District Manager of the _____ Forest District (the "District Manager") grants to the Permittee, during the term of this Permit:

- a) the right to enter and occupy Crown land in the permit area described in paragraph 1.02 for the purpose of harvesting Crown timber according to the terms of this Permit and the *Forest Act*; and
- b) the right to harvest Crown timber designated for harvesting under this Permit.

1.02 The purpose of this Free Use Permit is:

- a) to authorize the Permittee to harvest timber for use during the development stage of a mining operation for stulls and props for underground use or for the construction of buildings, from the following Crown land and in the following volumes:

(OR)

- b) to authorize the Permittee to harvest timber from the following mineral property(ies) and for the following exploration and development operations:

Name of Property(ies)

Record or Lot No.

Mining Division

Exploration and Development Operations

- i) _____ (m) of lines for technical surveys to be cut by use of hand-held tools;
- ii) Clearing of _____ (ha) for a campsite;
(not to exceed 0.4 ha)
- iii) Clearing of _____ (ha) for a portal site;
(not to exceed 0.4 ha)
- iv) Clearing of _____ (ha) of mineralized areas;
(not to exceed 0.4 ha)
- v) Clearing of _____ drill sites;
(not to exceed 0.2 ha each)
- vi) Clearing of an access road _____ (length);
(not to exceed 1.6 km)
- viii) Clearing of access trails _____ (length).
(not to exceed 4.8 km)

1.03 This Free Use Permit will come into effect on _____, 19__ and, unless previously cancelled by the District Manager or a Forest Officer, will expire on _____, 19__.

2.00 CONDITIONS AND CANCELLATION

2.01 In operations carried on under this Free Use Permit:

- a) the Permittee will harvest timber under this Free Use Permit only for the purposes specified in paragraph 1.02;
- b) the Permittee will comply with the *Forest Act* and regulations;
- c) the height of stumps shall be as low as practicable, and in no case higher than _____ cm;
- d) dead timber, standing and down, shall be used, where available; and
- e) slash resulting from operations carried on under this Free Use Permit will be disposed of as follows:

- 2.02 In operations carried on under this Free Use Permit, the Permittee will not cause or permit:
- a) a lake, stream, spring or tidal water that supplies water for any purpose to be rendered unfit for that purpose; or
 - b) trees, logs, logging debris or any polluting substance to be deposited below the natural boundary of a lake, stream, spring or tidal water; or
 - c) logs to be skidded or equipment to be operated below the natural boundary of a lake, stream or tidal water; or
 - d) any obstruction, gravel or fill to be placed or deposited below the natural boundary of a lake, stream or tidal water; or
 - e) a landing to be located within 40 m of a lakeshore or stream bank or in any area that is not designated for cutting in this Free Use Permit, unless authorized in writing by a Forest Officer; or
 - f) slash to be burned closer to a lake or stream than the distance specified in writing by a Forest Officer.

- 2.03 In operations carried on under this Free Use Permit, the Permittee will:
- a) if it is in contravention of paragraph 2.02, within the time specified in a notice delivered to the Permittee by a Forest Officer, remove logging or road-building debris or other polluting substances deposited in, on or below the natural boundary of a lake, spring, stream or tidal water,
 - b) fall or yard timber away from the natural boundary of a lake, stream or tidal water,
 - c) protect natural growth below the natural boundary of a lake, stream or tidal water from damage from logging and burning,
 - d) build a bridge or install a culvert at every stream crossing, designed to accommodate the maximum flow of the stream and to permit unobstructed fish passage,
 - e) construct, pursuant to a schedule approved in writing by a Forest Officer, crossings of all streams, lakes and tidal water, and
 - f) comply with all applicable legislation and regulations thereunder, as directed in writing by a Forest Officer.

2.04 (Additional provisions):

2.05 If an obligation set out in this Free Use Permit is not performed, the District Manager or a Forest Officer may, without notice, suspend this Free Use Permit, or cancel it, or both.

APPLICATION ACCEPTED AND FREE USE PERMIT ENTERED INTO ON BEHALF OF THE CROWN, BY:

Permittee

District Manager