

Issue

Can the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST), Goods and Services Tax (GST) and/or Provincial Sales Tax (PST) be included in a Non-Tabular Cost Estimate submission?

Direction

HST

The HST is not an acceptable appraisal cost and must not be included in a Construction Estimate Forms (CEF).

The reason for this is that the licensee gets a HST credit on inputs to develop the final product (lumber, chips, pulp, etc.) thus the purchaser of the final product is responsible for paying the HST.

GST

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PST

The PST is an acceptable appraisal cost up until June 30, 2010.

This cost must be clearly outlined in the tender or invoice for works done prior to July 1, 2010.