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Andrew Merilees, Chair  
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Dear Andrew Merilees:

Thank you for your letter of January 12, 2018 confirming receipt of the invitation to apply for a Community Forest Agreement dated December 15, 2017. I appreciate the holiday season delayed the Misty Isles Economic Development Society (MIEDS) board's first consideration of the invitation. As explained by ministry staff on January 10, 2018, upon receipt of a written request, I will consider extending the 120 day application period to account for this delay and the work that must be done to prepare your application.

I understand you met with ministry staff on January 19, 2018 to discuss the timber supply work that supported the District Manager's determination of the Community Forest Agreement area. I understand the District Manager, as the decision maker that approves the Management Plan and determines the allowable annual cut, will be writing to you to clarify his expectations for the inventory and timber supply analysis information that will be required from MIEDS to approve the Management Plan and determine an allowable annual cut for the Community Forest Agreement.

I look forward to receiving your application and working with MIEDS on the next phases of realizing a Community Forest Agreement opportunity that will benefit all residents of Haida Gwaii.

Yours truly,

Sharon Hadway  
Regional Executive Director  
West Coast Natural Resource Region

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