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Subject: Comment on Public Registry File number #4572

This is a formal comment on:

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Tembec Enterprises Inc. - Forest Stewardship Plan 2009-2028
Tembec Enterprises Inc - Environmental Impact Statement of the FML No. 1 - 2010-2029 Forest Stewardship Plan

The Wilderness Committee is Canada's largest environmental citizen group, with over 60,000 members and supporters across Canada, and 10,000 in Manitoba. It is with the voice of our members and supporters that I make comment on this file.

These comments do not constitute the entirety of our concerns or comments on this file, but covers only the most important point at this time.

Tember has announced they intend to either close or sell the mill in Pine Falls. This 20-year plan will either need to be resubmitted by another entity if a new owner is found, or no plan is required if the mill is to be closed.

Until either of these conditions come to pass, the 20-year plan should not be submitted. Work done on reviewing this 20-year plan by provincial employees is a waste of government funds, and therefore a waste for all Manitobans.

The Wilderness Committee formally requests that the 20-year EA review be halted immediately until such time as plans to begin operating the mill are publicized.

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