

# CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY MARITIME MINING AND ENERGY UNION

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Dear Premier

As you are aware the CFMEU Manufacturing Division represents workers in Victoria's hardwood forestry, sawmilling, wood products and paper manufacturing sectors.

We would very much value the opportunity to meet with you to discuss the detail of the Government's forestry policy announced last week.

There is a lack of detailed information on the public record about what this announcement will mean for workers, contractors and employers alike.

Based on the information we have, as you are aware, we are apprehensive about the practicality, workability and fairness of the industry transition plan proposed.

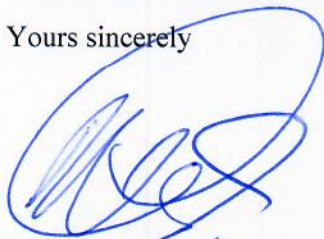
We have recently met with the Victorian Association of Forest Industries (VAFI) and the Australian Forest Contractors Association (AFCA) and they share some of our concerns.

We request that the meeting include some union workplace delegates and other important players in the industry including the associations mentioned above.

Parliament sits this week until the 15<sup>th</sup> and commences again on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

A time next week would seem well suited to have a discussion and we look forward to hearing of your availability to meet with us.

Yours sincerely



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