



**Invitation For Expressions of Interest  
Hawkes Bay Biomass Supply for Thermal Energy**

**4<sup>th</sup> March 2025**

The Hawke's Bay Forestry Group is exploring the potential for supplying biomass for thermal energy to various users in the region. Biomass is a renewable energy source that can significantly reduce carbon emissions and provide a sustainable alternative to fossil fuels.

The Hawkes Bay estate is more than 140,000 hectares with 96% planted in sustainably grown radiata pine. The Forest Group represents 80% of this estate and we are excited at the potential for supplying bioenergy in our region and to other interested regions. The recent RETA report (2024) identified more than 600,000 tonnes per annum that could be economically recovered in the region.

We are seeking expressions of interest from potential users who are interested in utilising biomass for their thermal energy needs.

The primary objective of this EOI is to gauge the level of interest and identify potential users of biomass for thermal energy within the region. This will help us understand the demand and plan for the supply of biomass in its different forms.

Interested parties are requested to provide the following information via email:

1. Company Name
2. Contact Person
3. Location
4. Estimated Biomass Requirements (quantity)
5. Preferred biomass type (wood chip, pellets, black pellet or other material)
6. Any Specific Requirements or Preferences
7. Potential timeline for Implementation

Please submit your expression of interest by 28th March to the following contact:

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Your participation in this EOI process is crucial for us to develop a large scale and consistent supply chain that will contribute to a lower carbon future for the Hawke's Bay region.