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### **NATIVE FORESTRY TEAM WINS SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT AWARD**

Recognising their commitment to deliver sustainable resources the Forest Products Team of the Department of Environment & Resource Management (DERM) have won an award for their efforts to obtain and maintain long-term chain of custody certification for Queensland's native forests.

Peak industry body Timber Queensland, CEO Rod McInnes congratulated the DERM Forest Products team for winning DERM's Service First Award in the Sustainable Environment category for *Forestry Certification - building the environmental credentials of Queensland's native forest timber industry*.

Mr McInnes said the award is recognition of the DERM Forest Products team's management of Queensland's precious native forests

"It's great to see this acknowledgement of the Forest Products team and their management practices, now independently third-party audited and achieving international recognition as world's best practice," said Rod McInnes

"Industry takes great comfort in the knowledge that our native forest management is in such good hands and looks forward to the continuation of our sustainable forest based industry," he said.

Chain of custody certification delivers significant benefits for the timber industry, providing a competitive edge in a market that is increasingly demanding 'green' products which satisfy consumer requirements for proven, environmentally friendly alternatives to non-renewable resources.

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IMAGE ATTACHED – Copy of DERM's Award