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## **“Job - Rich forest sector- reduces carbon dioxide in atmosphere”**

Timber Communities Australia (TCA) the national grassroots organization that supports and represents families and communities reliant on our forest and forest products industry, congratulates the Forestry Minister the Hon Senator Eric Abetz and the Environment Minister the Hon Malcolm Turnbull on their announcement and acknowledgement that deforestation DOES NOT occur in Australia.

“Forestry does not mean land clearing – we have a positive message and a simple one at that, **sustainable forest management in Australia is a positive for the environment, the communities and the economy.**

Senator Abetz today at a High Level Meeting on Forests and Climate Change in Sydney said that “we can have forestry jobs while helping the world environment “ and TCA totally agrees with him and will support him in getting this message across to not only Australia but the world.

For too long our communities have had to endure exploitation of the radical green movement seeking only to maintain its power base with little or no real concern for the environment or communities.

Congratulations to the Australian Government on this positive, environmentally and socially positive announcement.” said Jill Lewis CEO TCA

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