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Subject: Letter to the Editor Forestry Corporation and Local government rates

Letter to the Editor

I did appreciate the Forestry Corporation's frank explanation (Magnet 20/6/13) of why it would rather not pay Local Government rates: "the Forestry Corporation often needs to act independently of council budgets to maintain its commercial interests," according to the unidentified spokesperson.

Well, don't we all?

Even Forestry Tasmania pays rates. Tasmania is a State where the logging industry has a keen eye for every lurk in the subsidy book, but this does not extend to avoiding Local Government rates.

Sincerely Harriett Swift

Between 2,500 and 3,000 trees from SE NSW and East Gippsland are cut down every working day to supply the Eden chipmill

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