

have to be transported over a long distance. In the case of plantations there is more productivity in harvesting and greater volume per ha. (per specie) as clear cutting is generally used. On average the logs are medium-to-small-size (length = 2,5 meters; diameter = 15-25 cm).

With the present structure of forest production, the main market for suppliers of goods and services is in the system used for harvesting in the natural forest where the predominant logging technique uses skidders. Also road construction equipment, log loading and unloading equipment, and transportation equipment (trucks) used. In the medium term (2 to 5 years) there will be a shift to harvesting plantations that will increase the demand for harvesting equipment.

8.1. Possible areas of interest for Canadian suppliers of goods and services in forest harvesting

GOODS

- Felling and logging equipment and tools.
- Road construction equipment.
- Log loading, unloading and yarding equipment.

SERVICES

- Consultancy: Computer software for harvest control and economic and technical evaluation.