

January 17, 2023

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your participation and support of the Regional Affiliate Certificate Group during 2022. We hope that the savings and service provided by American Green, our group manager, have been of value to you during the recently concluded year.

Unfortunately, increased costs have forced RACG to increase pricing for this coming year. Effective January 1, 2023, the annual participation fee is being increased by \$100 to \$1795 per year. With open market FSC Certification costs for companies under \$5 million remaining in the \$4,000-5,000 per year range, participation in RACG continues to be a good value.

On a related topic, we understand from talking to RACG members that the FSC requirement to submit financial statements and company policies is a big concern for many. We absolutely agree with these concerns and have asked American Green to express our dissatisfaction to FSC on our member's behalf. We will advise of any changes.

Thank you again, and please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Freeman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.

Tim Freeman, President