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SPECIFICATIONS FOR CLEARING

310. 1. SCOPE

Clearing shall consist of the removal and disposal of all trees, shrubs, grass, weeds, fallen timber, logs and other surface litter wherever they occur within the right-of-way and within such other areas as directed and staked out by the Engineer.

310. 7. CONSTRUCTION METHODS

Within the limits as directed and staked out by the Engineer, all brush and trees, except those designated by the Engineer to be saved, shall be cut off at a height not greater than 300 mm above ground level, and all surface debris, excluding merchantable timber but including fallen timber, slash limbs, brush, grass and weeds, shall be disposed of as hereinafter set forth.

Trees shall be felled towards the centre of the area to be cleared. Any brush or trees falling outside of the area to be cleared shall be moved back to the right-of-way and disposed of. The Contractor shall take all precautions against damage to other trees, traffic, structures, pole lines or property in his felling of trees, and he shall be liable for any damages occurring in the performance of this work.

Timber from which forest products can be manufactured shall be cleared of limbs and neatly piled on the right-of-way as directed or permitted by the Engineer. Usable timber shall be the property of the Contractor and shall be removed from the right-of-way before any payment by progressive estimate for work done in that area will be made.

The Contractor shall not clear or burn without the permission of the Engineer. Clearing shall be completed at least one kilometre in advance of grading operations.

Burning of debris shall be carried on concurrently with clearing operations so that the debris from each day's operations is disposed of in that day. Burning shall be done far enough from the outer edge of the right-of-way to prevent injury to live trees, adjacent property, structures or pole lines. The Contractor shall take all precautions to prevent the fires from spreading, and he shall be liable for any damages occasioned in the performance of his work.

Clearing and burning operations shall be conducted in accordance with the applicable Provincial and Municipal regulations and Acts.

Before final acceptance of the work, the Contractor shall make a final clean-up of windfalls and other debris which may have been covered with snow during the original clearing operations.

310. 9. METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

The number of hectares of "Clearing" will be derived from measurements made by the Engineer of the area staked out by him and actually cleared.

310. 11. BASIS OF PAYMENT

Clearing will be paid for at the unit bid price per hectare set forth in the Contract for "Clearing" which will be payment in full for performing all operations necessary or incidental thereto.