GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT No. 50 of 2008

The Local Government Act (Laws, Volume 16, Cap. 281)

The Masaiti District Council (Timber Levy) By-Laws, 2008

IN EXERCISE of the powers contained in sections sixty-nine and seventy-six of the Local Government Act, the following By-Laws are hereby made:

1. These By-Laws may be cited as the Masaiti Council (Timber Levy) By-Laws, 2008.

Title

- 2. In these By-Laws, unless the context otherwise requires—
- Interpretation
- "area" means the area under the jurisdiction of the Council;
- "checkpoint" means any place within the area designated by the Council for the payment of timber levy;
- " collector " means any officer or agent of the Council authorised to collect revenue for the Council;
- "Council" means the Masaiti District Council; and
- "timber" means a types of logs and planks which are product of any fallen or felled tree that can be used for construction and any part thereof whether or not preserved in any other form.
- 3. A person who sells timber within the area or exports timber from the area shall pay to the Council a timber levy at the rate of one hundred kwacha per bulk meter.

Imposition of timber levy

4. A person shall not sell timber within the area or export any timber from the area that has not been counted at a checkpoint and in respect of which a timber levy has not been paid to the Council.

No sale or export of timber without payment of timber levy Place of payment and collection of timber levy

- 5. Timber levy shall be paid to the collector at the check point at which the timber is counted and the collector shall, immediately after receiving the payment, issue an official receipt for each such payment.
- 6. (1) A person who contravenes these By-Laws, commits an offence and is liable upon conviction—

Offences and penalties

- (a) to a fine not exceeding eighty penalty units or imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months, or to both; and
- (b) in the case of a continuing contravention to a fine not exceeding sixteen penalty units for each day during which the contravention continues.
- (2) In addition to any penalty prescribed under sub by-law (1), the court may order that any expenses incurred by the Council in consequence of such contravention be paid by the person committing the contravention.

Made by the Masaiti District Council this 4th day of March, 2008.

M. CHIWATA,

Council Chairman

Masaiti District Council

N. Ngilishi, Council Secretary Masaiti District Council

Confirmed by me this 10th day of April, 2008.

S.T. Masebo,

Minister of Local Government

and Housing

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