

# WORCESTER PALLET & WOOD CC

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**Kaap Agri**

**Attention: Mr. Bryce McIntyre**

Regarding our telephonic conversation 09/11/2016, I would like to give the following information through to you.

1. The timber used by Worcester Pallet & Wood for the manufacturing of the wooden pallets is S.A. Pine and the various species associated with it, like Radiata, Ellottii and Pinaster.
2. The availability of timber at this stage is sufficient for our monthly use at our 3 manufacturing plants.

We manufacture about 25000 pallets a month and at this stage we are getting the majority of our wood from up North, as far as from Swaziland.

About all of this wood is supplied by big sustainable sawmills who can supply big quantities of wood.

3. Regarding the sustainability of wood, there is already a short fall of wood in the Western Cape but there is enough up North. Saying that it means that prices are going to rise substantially due to transport etc.

To get this timber in the Western Cape from up North is only economically feasible if you buy Killen Dry Wood because you can load basically twice as much on a truck due to the difference in weight.

We think that we have to brace ourselves for an increase in the prices of pallets in the near future if you take the above into consideration.

I hope the above answers all your questions. Please feel free to contact us regarding any other queries.

Jean v/d Westhuizen & Jeremy Kriegler

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