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PRESS RELEASE

Log Haulage Company Donates \$1,500 to Brogo Rural Fire Brigade

On Saturday morning, representatives of the Eden based log haulage company Cyneve Pty Ltd made a donation to the Brogo Rural Fire Brigade.

Company director Raymond Innes and log truck driver Matthew McKinnon made the donation to the brigade captain, Mike Jay, at the Brogo brigade shed. Mike said it was great to receive the funding, which will be used to buy additional equipment. Recently we attended a house fire caused by an electrical problem. Not knowing where the wiring ran was a concern.

The brigade will use some of the money to buy a meter, so we will be able to locate electrical wiring in future. The rest of the money will be put to good use to buy additional equipment."

Cyneve has been hauling logs from a plantation harvesting operation on Andrew Price & Lori Sadler's property at Brogo. Nicole Innes said "the haulage operation had been conducted over the past 6 weeks and Cyneve and our drivers greatly appreciated the co-operation and friendliness of other road users. Andrew had notified neighbours and other residents prior to commencement of the operation and this helped to ensure the safety of all road users."

Nicole said "the safety of the school bus and the children was a high priority and the bus company was contacted prior to haulage commencing. The bus driver Peter, from Bega Valley Coaches was great and maintained communications with our drivers to ensure there were no surprises. We have been pleased at the favourable comments residents have made about the courtesy our drivers displayed."

The plantation was established about 25 years ago and the owners had decided it was time to harvest the crop. Mr Price said "some of the plantation will be allowed to regenerate and other areas will be used for beef cattle grazing."

He commented "organising a harvesting operation was a new experience for us and the harvest operation has provided improved access to some parts of our property, which will help with future management. Having moved my auto-electrician business to Brogo from the Mornington Peninsula about 2 years ago, this operation gave me a chance to work on some of the harvesting equipment, which was an interesting experience for me."

"We sold the logs to the Eden chip mill and Garry Hunter from Pentarch Forestry Services did all the planning and marking out to ensure the operation complied with the environmental regulations. The money will help us with our home building and setting up our *Clean Green Brogo Beef* operation."

Andrew said "as relatively new residents at Brogo, the operation has helped us to get to know other residents and the donation to the Brogo brigade will help the brigade protect the community from bush and structural fires."