PULP AND PAPER MILL (HUNDREDS OF MAYURRA AND HINDMARSH) ACT AMENDMENT BILL 1976

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Second reading

**The Hon. Hugh Hudson, for the Hon. J. D. CORCORAN (Minister of Works),** obtained leave and introduced a Bill for an Act to amend the Pulp and Paper Mill (Hundreds of Mayurra and Hindmarsh) Act, 1964. Read a first time.

The Hon. HUGH HUDSON: I move:

*That this Bill be now read a second time.*

This short Bill, which has only one operative clause, clause 3, is intended to introduce a new formula for the determination of council rates payable by “the company” as defined in the principal Act, the Pulp and Paper Mill (Hundreds of Mayurra and Hindmarsh) Act, 1964. The previous method of determination of rates payable by the council were set out in section 4 at subsections (1) and (2). The amendment proposed will substitute in section 4 new subsections (1), (2), (2a) and (2b) and the method of determining the rates is, it is felt, quite self-explanatory. The Government has agreed in principle with the council that the determination of rates provided for in this measure will continue until the rating year 1980-81 and in that year this matter will be reviewed. This Bill is a hybrid Bill and will, in the ordinary course of events, be referred to a Select Committee of this House.

The Minister of Works has asked me to inform the House that both the Millicent District Council and the company Kimberley-Clark of Australia Pty. Limited (known locally in the Millicent area as Apcel) have agreed to the change that has been brought about.

Mr. RODDA (Victoria): As was explained by the Minister, this is a short Bill. It contains an arrangement that has been agreed to in principle by the Government and the council concerned. The Bill will go to a Select Committee. The Opposition supports the Bill.

Bill read a second time and referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. Corcoran, Olson, Rodda, Vandepeer, and Wells; the committee to have power to send for persons, papers and records, and to adjourn from place to place; the committee to report on December 2.