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Forest Trends wishes to clarify the inclusion of Mr. Elfian Effendi's name in the acknowledgments section of an earlier draft of the report Indonesia's Legal Timber Supply Gap and Implications for Expansion of Milling Capacity: A Review of the Road Map for the Revitalization of the Forest Industry, Phase 1. Mr. Effendi was not at any time involved in the review process of the report. He did not see a manuscript, nor was he an officially designated peer reviewer.

Mr. Effendi's name was included in a downloadable report version accessible until the evening of 17 February 2015, Jakarta time, after which a new version of the report that removed reviewers' names was posted as "final."

The acknowledgment was meant to reflect the report authors' intention to thank those that had provided insight that led to an improvement in the manuscript. It was not the intention to suggest that the named individuals had actually peer-reviewed the manuscript. Rather, the list included individuals with whom the report authors had discussed methodological findings. The authors had then requested that these names be removed so as not to give the impression that these individuals had been peer reviewers.

The names were meant to be removed prior to release because the individuals had not been contacted to seek their permission. Due to an unforeseen error in the editing process, the omission was not caught and corrected until after an initial version had been shared publically. With the posting of the new version of the report on the evening of 17 February, this error has now been corrected. It should not be interpreted that any of the individuals listed in the earlier version were reviewers of the actual manuscript.

We sincerely apologize for any confusion that this error in editing may have caused, especially to Mr. Effendi or any others named.