Local Government Perspective

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WHO IS THE CLIENT?

- What Experience Does This Company Have That Qualifies Them To Move Forward With Developing A Project?
- Who Are The Key Decision Makers And What Is Their Background?
- Is This Company Well Capitalized?
- What Is Their Tract Record?
- Do They Pass the “Smell Test”? 
AVAILABILITY OF FUEL SUPPLY

- What Are The Local Resources
  - What Specification of Fuel Supply is Needed
  - What Quantity of Specified Fuel is Needed
  - Work with Local Forestry Professionals
    - State Agencies
    - Timber Companies
    - Forestry Management Companies
    - Professional Logger’s Associations

- How Will This Impact Other Forestry Related Industries In Your Community
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

- Air Quality
- Land Quality
  - At Bio Mass Production Facility
  - At Harvest Locations
- Water Quality
  - Impact on Water Supply
  - Impact of Waste Water
- Other Waste Generated from the Company
INFRASTRUCTURE

- What Are The Site Requirements For The Project?
  - Acreage
  - Utilities
    - Water Supply
    - Waste Water Needs
    - Natural Gas
  - Access
    - Highway
    - Rail
    - Barge
INFRASTRUCTURE

- Interconnect
  - Distance To Transmission Lines
  - Ability Of Transmission Lines To Accept Power To The Grid
  - Location Of Sub Station

- Zoning Considerations
  - Is There Local Zoning
  - Is The Site Properly Zoned
  - What Is Required To Get The Property Properly Zoned

- Who Are The Neighbors

- What Is The Economic Impact To Your Community