



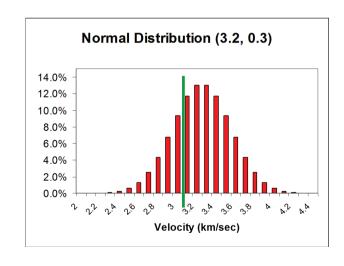
# WHY HITMAN PH330 is important to forest owners and contractors today?

- Age of harvest is declining so there is less mature wood
- Length of rotation is shorter and lower stiffness species are being grown
- Older forests are increasingly further from the mills
- Transport costs are increasing
- Mills need to buy the right log properties
- Harvest processes are being automated for safety

Fibre-Gen's mission is to segregate wood at the point of harvest to maximize value recovery, minimise waste and improve safety



### **SCIENCE OF SONICS**



Stiffness (MOE) of trees in any given stand

speed of sound through wood provides a direct measure of stiffness

**MOE** (stiffness) = density x (sonic velocity)<sup>2</sup>

TREE BREEDING | FOREST MANAGEMENT
HARVESTING | LOG MAKING
WOOD PROCESSING

ALL REGIONS | ALL SPECIES



## HITMAN PH330

#### FOR HARVESTERS & PROCESSOR HEADS

### Real time automated sonic measurement during log making

- 1. Head clamps tree or stem
- 2. Operator activates saw
- 3. Probes inserted by hydraulics
- 4. Saw cut finishes
- 5. Velocity measured and data sent to optimizer
- 6. Probes retract
- 7. Operator confirms log making decision for next log to be cut
- 8. Head moves to next cut position and repeats process
- 9. Log cut to right pile for the right mill
- 10. Data sent to data server

Additional production time required = 0 secs





Adopting single pass automated processor-head-based segregation has the potential to deliver logs which are otherwise inaccessible and will yield suitable stiffness veneer for LVL manufacture.

Source: J Moore, Scion and M Lausberg
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