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Subject: FW: PC Report

Hi All,

I would be interested in your comments on this feedback from GAA.

Regards,
DV

From: >

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Hi David,

I refer to the PC report, p73, where they say (relevant quote only):

Methodology for estimating domestic production

Four approaches were considered for estimating the tonnage of domestic FSS production:

- *Based on downstream activity: estimating FSS production based on activity in the galvanising sector*

The second approach could not be used because data on the tonnes galvanised was provided on a confidential basis. It would not be possible to publish estimates of domestic FSS production without also revealing the confidential data.

I have re-read the emails to and from the PC regarding our submissions. They checked and clarified the submission data from the GAA and we also provided the data as an excel set – at their request – showing full details of the source. At no stage did the productivity commission state that the data could not be used because it was confidential. While the wording in their document is 'cute', it is clear they have ignored the data.

My simple question is: given the data the GAA provided to the PC is so different to the market position published by the PC, what internal or external review was undertaken by the PC to check their assumptions are valid?

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