Please find attached the following submissions that Dairy Australia made on behalf of the Dairy Industry:

1. Submission to the VCEC Victorian Food Regulations Review
2. Submission to the Bethwaite Review
3. Senate Inquiry into Food Production
4. Dairy Industry Submission to Quarantine and Biosecurity Review (Beale)
5. Regulatory Burdens on Business
6. Review of Export Policies

My apologies for simply resending previous reviews. However, there have been many and it is difficult to keep up.

I would be happy to provide specific information on any individual topics as required.

At present, we are working with AQIS and the State Food Safety Authorities on export certification reforms. We are looking for genuine reform - but have a concern that there may be a push for a one size fits all. This may have efficiencies for AQIS, but could potentially add significant costs to industry. We will be seeking full transparency and genuine efficiencies.

AQIS, State Food Safety Regulators and industry are also looking to develop Key Performance Indicators for the National Dairy Food Safety Framework - to help promote the system to other parties. This project is currently in the pilot stages. One concern at present is that AQIS and some state regulators have seen what information is currently being collected by industry and has suggested moving to individual data collection to verify the system. Industry collects a lot of data - but does not want to see data used just because it is available. There needs to be a compelling case for data input to the regulatory framework - otherwise the data collection. maintenance and credibility requirements could have significant costs for industry - and far outweigh any regulatory efficiencies of the current system.

Again - apologies for the very short response.

Regards

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