## WoolProducers

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WoolProducers is the peak body for wool producers in Australia, formed in July 2001. This body replaces the old Wool Council of Australia, which no longer exists. WoolProducers represent approximately 14,000 wool producers from across Australia and aims to provide a strong, unified voice that enables wool producers to determine and drive change in their industry. Our membership consists of the various State Farm Organisations and individual growers who have elected to join the organisation directly.

WoolProducers is a commodity council member of the National Farmers' Federation (NFF), and as such have been engaged in consultation with the NFF regarding the review of assistance in the Textile Clothing and Footwear sectors.

The key objective of WoolProducers is to deliver outcomes to our members that contribute to their wool business profit and social wellbeing. Working toward trade liberalisation is pursuant to our core business, and WoolProducers support the removal of domestic tariffs to enhance opportunities for reducing tariff barriers for our wool exports.

WoolProducers strongly support the representations made in this submission by the NFF and endorse the recommendation that tariffs are reduced as planned by 2005, and eliminated by 2010.

Please do not hesitate to contact WoolProducers should you require further information.

Yours sincerely

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