

Viterra Operations Pty Ltd

Application under clause 5(2) of the Port Terminal Access (Bulk Wheat) Code of Conduct for exemption from Parts 3 to 6 of the Code in respect of Viterra's port terminals in South Australia

Response to request for information

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Viterra Operations Pty Ltd - Response to ACCC RFI dated 14 November 2019

This document sets out Viterra's response to the questions set out in the ACCC's email to Viterra dated 14 November 2019.

Questions 1 and 2: Viterra port terminal facility features

Question 1: Please provide the storage capacity at each of Viterra's ports

The storage capacity at each of Viterra's port terminals is set out in Attachment 1.

Question 2: Please provide the following details of road and rail receival infrastructure at each of Viterra's ports including: (a) loading rates for the road and rail infrastructure; (b) the number of hoppers used for road receivals; (c) the number of hoppers used for rail receivals; and (d) if rail infrastructure (at the relevant ports) can support standard or dual carriages; and (e) any other information Viterra considers relevant to receiving grain via road or rail at each of the ports.

The details of road and rail receival infrastructure at each of Viterra's port terminals is set out in Attachment 1.

Questions 3 to 7: Capacity estimates

Question 3: Please provide published available capacity estimates at each port between (and inclusive of) the 2013-14 and 2019-20 seasons. Each separate season capacity figures should be presented on a semi-monthly basis (i.e. twice a month).

Viterra's **published** available capacity estimates at each port terminal on a semi-monthly basis between the 2013-14 and 2019-20 seasons are set out in Attachment 2. As this is **published** available capacity, it does not include tolerance (i.e. +10%), which was included in capacity estimates provided in the exemption application. However, it does include any Additional Capacity released under clause 3.19 of the Port Loading Protocols.

Question 4: Please confirm what the capacity estimates provided in Viterra's exemption application represent and set out the basis on which they were determined (i.e. are they estimates of: maximum theoretical capacity, published available capacity plus additional short term capacity, etc.)

Viterra's estimates of port terminal capacity represent published capacity (plus tolerance of 10%, as this evidences maximum capacity). Accordingly, capacity for 2013-14 to 2015-16 represents the capacity that was released for auction (plus tolerance) and capacity for 2016-17 to 2018-19 represents published long term capacity (plus tolerance) and published short term capacity (plus tolerance).¹ Where applicable, capacity estimates also include any Additional Capacity released under 3.19 of the Port Loading Protocols.

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Question 8(b): In relation to storage and handling, please provide details of the location of each facility (presented spatially if possible)

Please see Attachment 4.

¹ Unbooked long term capacity can be rolled into the release of short term capacity. The capacity estimates in Attachment 2 do not double-count this capacity.

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