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Dear Mr Rolley

Collective Bargaining Notification CB10000469 submitted by Highlands Potatoes and Ag Incorporated—decision not to object

I refer to Highlands Potatoes and Ag Incorporated's (**HPAI**) collective bargaining notification lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) on 29 July 2019.

The ACCC has assessed the notification and has decided not to object to the notification at this time. Protection from legal action provided by the notification commenced on 12 August 2019.

In addition, the ACCC is satisfied that it is appropriate for the notification to remain in force until 28 July 2029. The ACCC's Statement of Reasons is attached to this email.

Under section 101A of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*, a person dissatisfied with the ACCC's decision in relation to the period of the notification may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal (the Tribunal) for a review of that decision. An application for review must be made to the Tribunal on or before 4 October 2019. The Tribunal is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia. For further information about the Tribunal's process please refer to the Tribunal's website at www.competitiontribunal.gov.au.

The ACCC may review a notification at any time if circumstances change, or the ACCC receives further information, such that it is satisfied that the public benefits no longer outweigh the public detriments.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Simon Bell on 02 6243 1232.

Yours sincerely

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