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To: Kelly, Theo; Adjudication

Subject: AA1000438 - Re Seedvise Pty Ltd request for re-authorisation collective bargaining EPRs – submission from Grain Industry Association of Western Australia (GIWA)

Dear Theo,

Thank you for the opportunity to respond in consultation regarding the application the ACCC has received for re-authorisation from Seedvise Pty Ltd to continue to collectively bargain on behalf of participating Royalty Managers with Grain Buyers for collective of plant breeding end point royalties (EPRs).

Please take this email as feedback from the Grain Industry Association of Australia, our members include plant breeders who play a crucial role in addressing export and domestic consumer demand for food and feed grain and supply chain and agronomic capacity building at the GIWA commodity council level in WA (wheat, barley, oats, pulses, oilseeds). GIWA wholeheartedly supports re-authorisation of the collective bargaining EPR collection services provided by Seedvise.

This system is highly regarded globally as an efficient and effective way to meet grower variety demand by rewarding plant breeders economically for varietal development, and attracts national and international cutting edge investment in plant breeding technologies. The EPR collection system has contributed to the growth of the West Australian export grain industry to become a \$7billion agrifood sector and is very widely supported by Grain Buyers and the 4000 grain growers in Western Australia.

We hope that the services provided by Seedvise Pty Ltd could in the near future become fully digitised.

Yours sincerely,

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