

## Casterton Kelpie Association Inc.

Casterton - Birthplace of the Kelpie

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Mr Gavan Jones, Director ACCC Adjudication adjudication@accc.gov.au

AA1000442 - Australian National Kennel Council Limited (ANKC) - submission

Dear Gavan,

The Casterton Kelpie Association wishes to make a submission in relation to AA1000442 – Australian National Kennel Council Ltd (ANKC) application for authorisation to changes to their Code of Ethics.

As a not-for-profit community organisation that acts as an agent for Working Dog Breeders from across Australia we <u>totally oppose any further mandatory requirement</u> for our breeders to conform to this amendment.

We work with breeders from across Australia whom already adhere to the requirements within their individual State legislation and then adhere to Victorian legislation when selling at our annual Casterton - Australian Premier Working Dog Auction.

Any further impediment over and above the state legislation, we believe would give dog breeders across Australia an unbalanced competitive market as compared to the open and transparent market place.

We could go into the importance of registration of bloodlines but for the purposes of this submission we will keep it simple.

Please contact us if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

Karen Stephens