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Dear Sir/Madam

Collective Bargaining Notification CB10000476 lodged by the Tasmanian Farmers and Graziers Association—interested party consultation

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) received a collective bargaining notification from the Tasmanian Farmers and Graziers Association (the **TFGA**) on 11 December 2020.

Broadly, the notification was lodged on behalf of the TFGA, the TFGA Pyrethrum Committee and current and future Tasmanian pyrethrum growers to collectively bargain terms and conditions (including price) for the supply of pyrethrum to pyrethrum processor, Botanical Resources Australia. The TFGA does not intend to engage in a collective boycott.

The TFGA intends to engage in the notified conduct for a period of 10 years.

The purpose of this letter is to invite your comments as a party who may be interested in providing a submission to the ACCC in relation to these arrangements.

Please see the ACCC's publication [Small Business Collective Bargaining Guidelines](#) for a summary of the collective bargaining notification process. Legal protection automatically commences 14 days after the notification is validly lodged, unless the ACCC objects within this period.

A copy of the notification is available on the [ACCC's public register](#).

An indicative timetable for the ACCC's assessment of the notification is set out below.

11 December 2020	Collective bargaining notification lodged.
17 December 2020	Public consultation process commences.
22 January 2021	Closing date for submissions on the notification.
29 January 2021	TFGA responds to any issues raised in submissions.
February/March 2021	ACCC decision to either issue a draft notice to revoke the notification or to take no further action and allow the notification to stand.

Request for submissions

The ACCC invites you to make a submission on the likely public benefits and the likely effect on competition, or any other public detriment, from the proposed arrangements. Submissions on the notification should be provided by **22 January 2021**. Submissions should be emailed to exemptions@acc.gov.au with the subject "CB10000476 – TFGA – submission".

Alternatively, if you would like to provide comments orally, please contact Tom Whitby on (02) 6243 1012 or via email tom.whitby@acc.gov.au to organise a suitable time.

Submissions, including oral submissions, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's publication [Guidelines for excluding information from the public register](#).

Please advise if you do not wish to make a submission at this time, but would like to be informed of the progress of the ACCC's review of the notification. Please nominate a contact email address for future correspondence.

You can also forward this letter to any other party who may wish to make a submission to the ACCC regarding the notification.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Tom Whitby on (02) 6243 1012 or via email tom.whitby@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Staltari'.

Danielle Staltari
Director
Adjudication

Interested Parties List

Australian Horticultural Exporters Association

Australian Natural Pyrethrins

Botanical Resources Australia Pty Ltd

Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment

Horticulture Innovation Australia Limited

Pestech Australia Pty Ltd

Tasmanian Agricultural Productivity Group

Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment

Tasmanian Department of State Growth