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Dear <<Salutation>>

**Victorian Farmers Federation Application for revocation and substitution (A40093)  
- final determination**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a determination in respect of the application for revocation and substitution of authorisation A40093 lodged by the Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) on 18 February 2010.

The VFF applied for revocation of authorisation A40093 and substitution with a new authorisation on substantially the same terms, for a further five years. The application for re-authorisation relates to Victorian chicken grower groups collectively bargaining the terms and conditions of agreements with the chicken meat processors to whom they supply growing services.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is attached, including a summary of its reasons. For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to grant authorisation for five years. The ACCC's assessment is set out in Chapter 4 of its determination.

**Application for review**

Pursuant to section 101 of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*, a person dissatisfied with this determination may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal for its review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 11 May 2010. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 12 May 2010.

An application for review of the ACCC's determination should be lodged directly with the Australian Competition Tribunal. The Australian Competition Tribunal is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia.

For further information about the process involved in reviewing decisions in the Australian Competition Tribunal please refer to the tribunal's website located at <http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/>.

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 Gina D'Ettorre on 03 9290 1483.

Yours sincerely



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<b>Interested Party – consultation list</b>
Australian Chicken Meat Federation
Baiada Poultry Pty Ltd
Department of Primary Industries
Hazeldene's Chicken Farm Pty Ltd
Inghams Enterprises Pty Ltd
National Farmers Federation
Turi Foods Pty Ltd
Random selection of Victorian chicken growers