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Re: ACCC Draft Decision on Grain Express Notification N93439

I would like to voice my support for ACCC's draft decision to revoke the notification of Cooperative Bulk Handling (CBH) on Grain Express.

I stand by the earlier submission I made. Recently, there has been many statements made by CBH about the demise of Grain Express if ACCC withdraw the Notification. There is no evidence to support these claims and many of them are totally spurious. There have been a number of letters in the rural press by Directors of CBH which show that the Directors do not even understand the issues at hand.

If Grain Express is as successful as CBH claim then it will work just as well under a voluntary system. It is critical at this time in the development of the grains industry that competition is not hindered.

Do not take my inability to attend the pre-decision conference as a lack of interest but have previous commitments on that date. I fully support your decision and hope that you will confirm your draft decision.

Regards Kim Halbert

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