



25 September 2020

David Hatfield  
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Australian Competition & Consumer Commission

Dear David,

**SUBJECT: ACCC Interim Authorisation dated 7 August 2020 related to application AA1000527-1 granted to Ingham's, Turosi, Hazeldene's, and ACMF (Interim Authorisation)**

**Weekly report under paragraph 11 of the Interim Authorisation  
Date: 25 September 2020**

**1. Background:**

- 1) On 7 August the ACCC granted the Interim Authorisation.
- 2) Capitalised terms not defined in this report have the meaning given to them in the Interim Authorisation.
- 3) Paragraphs 10 – 13 of the Interim Authorisation provide:

10. Interim authorisation is granted subject to the following conditions:

**(1) Reporting obligations**

11. The Parties provide a report to the ACCC on a weekly basis (or as otherwise agreed by the ACCC) setting out details of each material decision made by the COVID Working Group (as defined below) which involves or otherwise relates to the Proposed Conduct. The ACCC proposes to publish the report subject to the assessment of any confidentiality claim.
12. The Parties arrange to meet with the ACCC to provide regular updates, as agreed between the Applicant and the ACCC.

**(2) Provision of further information**

13. The Parties provide any further information that the ACCC reasonably requests (through a contact person nominated by the Parties) about the Proposed Conduct being engaged in under the requested authorisation.

## 2. Weekly Report for the week 17 – 23 September 2020

One bilateral discussion took place between the Processors in order to manage the direct and indirect impacts of Stage 4 Restrictions on capacity and production. This discussion resulted in a bilateral commercial arrangement between two Processors, whereby one Processor purchased excess live birds from another and used them for their own market demands.

This bilateral commercial arrangement allowed for Victorian Processors to keep thousands of birds (approximately 1.3% of total chickens produced during the past week) and at least 60 tonnes of chicken products in the human food supply chain.

Yours faithfully,



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