

IN THE AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION TRIBUNAL

of 2013

MURRAY GOULBURN CO-OPERATIVE CO LIMITED

**RE: PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF WARRNAMBOOL CHEESE
AND BUTTER FACTORY COMPANY HOLDINGS LIMITED**

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This is the annexure marked RAP46 now produced and shown to Robert Arthur Poole at the time of signing his statement on 28 November 2013.

Annexure RAP46
Extract of Dairy Australia website
regarding dairy milk production

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Milk

Australian milk production fell by 280 million litres, or 3%, to 9,200 million litres in 2012/13 - reflecting a difficult year for many dairy farmers; with unfavourable seasonal conditions, lower farmgate prices and higher input costs combining to challenge the profitability of farm businesses. Production conditions were demanding across many of the dairying regions in Australia. Large parts of south-eastern Australia experienced a wet winter, a dry spring and summer, followed by a late or inadequate autumn break earlier this year. Bushfires and floods also impacted on some regions at different times.

Milk production is concentrated in the temperate zone of Australia. Australian milk production remains strongly seasonal in the key south-eastern dairying regions, reflecting the predominantly pasturebased nature of the industry. Milk production peaks in October, tapers off until late-summer, and then flattens out into the cooler winter months. The production of long shelf-life manufactured products in these parts of the country has enabled maximum milk utilisation within the seasonal cycle.

Milk production (million litres) by state

	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	AUST
1979/80	907	3,151	508	329	222	315	5,432
1989/90	879	3,787	629	356	267	344	6,262
1999/00	1,395	6,870	848	713	412	609	10,847
2000/01	1,326	6,784	760	699	388	590	10,546
2001/02	1,343	7,405	744	715	393	671	11,271
2002/03	1,302	6,584	720	733	404	585	10,328
2003/04	1,271	6,434	674	703	404	590	10,076

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2004/05	1,218	6,613	619	679	398	600	10,127
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2005/06	1,197	6,651	597	646	377	622	10,089
2006/07	1,105	6,297	537	655	350	642	9,583
2007/08	1,049	6,102	486	606	319	662	9,223
2008/09	1,065	6,135	513	628	340	708	9,388
2009/10	1,074	5,790	529	605	350	673	9,023
2010/11	1,046	5,912	485	572	362	722	9,100
2011/12	1,086	6,213	485	570	338	788	9,480
2012/13 (p)	1,071	6,039	458	536	337	760	9,200

* From July 2005, data collection based on farm location

Source: Dairy Manufacturers

