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Dear Mr Hatfield

Certification Trade Mark Application No 1635381 - PROOF

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above application for a Certification Trade Mark (CTM).

As a general comment, the RSPCA supports transparent and effective labelling based on clearly defined and well understood management practices that safeguard the welfare of production animals at all ages/life stages. Those management practices should provide for not just minimum welfare standards but best welfare practices and environments. The RSPCA also believes that any claims made regarding management practices should be verifiable through a rigorous audit process.

RSPCA Australia does not wish to make any further comment at this time, but would like to be informed of the outcome of the ACCC's initial and final assessment.

For future correspondence related to this application, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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