



20 June 2014

Dear John,

I am writing on behalf of the NSW Farmers' Cattle Committee in response to your message requesting support for the Australian Beef Industry Foundation's attempts to secure a one percent portion of the grass fed cattle levy.

The Committee believes that the aims of the ABIF are honourable, and commends it for the excellent work that it does in promotion of further education in the cattle industry. However, in spite of this, we cannot support the ABIF in its desire to secure a portion of the grass fed cattle levy.

The Committee does not believe that the funding of private organisations, such as the ABIF, is consistent with the purpose of the levy.

Instead, the Committee would like to encourage the ABIF to seek funding from Meat and Livestock Australia, as well as to continue to seek funding from other private and commercial sources.

Regards,

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