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Secretary Senate Finance and Public Administration Reference Committee Parliament House Canberra

Dear Sir

Thank you for your invitation to provide a submission to the Senate Finance and Public Administration Reference Committee regarding Dairy RAP funding for the Moruya Steel Profiling Plant.

The South East NSW Area Consultative Committee (Seacc) was involved with the early development of the project through our DRAP officer. The project gained Seacc support on 12 June 2001 when our project sub committee reviewed the proposal.

A draft application was forwarded to DEWRSB on 25 June 2001, a further revised draft application was forwarded to DEWRSB on 12 July 2001. From this time onwards the application was handled by DEWRSB.

Seacc understands that DOTARS conducted an evaluation of the project in late 2002 which showed that the project had been highly successful in achieving the outcomes stated in the application.

Seacc is unaware of any problems regarding guidelines etc.

Yours sincerely

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