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Dear John,

Re: CCA call for RSC circular motion to endorse draft CA Constitution

Neither you nor Cattle Council Australia are authorised to convene an RSC meeting or require the RSC to respond to any motion, circular or otherwise, either with or without certain arbitrary time constraints. Similarly, Allan Parker is not authorised to call an RSC meeting. CCA attempts to usurp the role of the RSC are illegitimate and continuation of this reckless, irresponsible course of action will result in irreparable damage to the representative and resourcing reform process sought by grass-fed cattle producers for in excess of a decade. Cattle producer levy payers will not accept this deception and will correctly hold CCA responsible for scuttling the reform agenda.

Achievement of the required reforms can only be arrived at through the agreed RSC process under the stewardship of a Chair appointed by the RSC and in compliance with the RSC Terms of Reference.

As discussed in previous correspondence to the CCA President there are 6 steps needed to get the reform process back on track:

- 1) CCA must provide financial accountability details to the RSC of funds expended by CCA on behalf of RSC both Government and Industry contributions.
- 2) An RSC meeting must be convened; the RSC would then resume its tasks of:
- 3) Developing and ratifying the Cattle Australia Constitution;
- 4) Developing Cattle Australia funding streams;
- 5) Overseeing the election of Cattle Australia's elected representatives;
- 6) Overseeing transition of the Peak Industry Council status from CCA to Cattle Australia.

Any claims made by CCA of RSC endorsement of any aspect of the CCA's illegitimate attempts to take over the RSC's prescribed responsibilities in the establishment of Cattle Australia are incorrect,

represent an abuse of process and are to be disdained. Any such nonsense will not be accepted by the cattle industry.

On behalf of Cattle Producers Australia and payers of the grass-fed cattle transaction levy, I urge CCA to desist from its apparent determination to wreck representative reform and join with the wider cattle industry in revitalising the legitimate process.

Yours sincerely,

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