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Dear Dr Thomson

Thank you for your letter of 26 June 2017 concerning the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee's inquiry into the *Regional Investment Corporation Bill 2017*.

The Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries appreciates the invitation from the committee to comment on the issues identified in the Bill. The department does not wish to make a formal submission in relation to the Bill, but wishes to highlight the importance of ensuring there is continuity of service to producers needing to access concessional loans during the transition of functions to the new corporation.

If you require any further information in relation to this matter, please contact Mr Bob Durance, Director, Plant Industries, Food and Trade on telephone 07 3096 6780 or email bob.durance@daf.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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