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To Senator B. Heffernan

RE: Senate Enquiry into Live Export Trade West Kimberley Region

Dear Bill.

Just plain ran out of time to respond with a formal submission to your senate enquiry regarding the live cattle ban and the resulting impact. I have been to a host of meetings etc. regarding the issue, what I see from the West Kimberly is there is currently NO other agricultural income positioned to provide any form of economic buffer when the wheel comes off the only source of income, as has recently has happened. I firstly believe Australian beef industry needs along with both Federal and State Government agencies to help Indonesia upgrade those facilities that operate currently below standard and avoid those for whatever reason that will never comply.

Governments can assist investors develop a meat works within the West Kimberly Region by making land available, providing power access, water access road access etc. along with rate, tax and fee concessions for a period of time. Again in the case of the West Kimberly the completion of the Tanami Rd upgrade would provide the best possible access to the South East markets of Australia (saves over 1000kms off the current route). The West Kimberly truly has a future in agriculture it needs like much of North Australia LAND TENURE CHANGES to make this happen. I would strongly encourage a visit by the enquiry to the Kimberly for the purpose of conducting hearings.

Thank you for your effort.

Regards.

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