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Ms Jeanette Radcliffe  
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Senate Rural Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee  
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Dear Ms Radcliffe

### **Inquiry into the Quarantine Amendment Bill 2011**

The Department Of Primary Industries and Resources South Australia has concerns that there would appear to be such a level of operational difficulties associated with enacting the current Bill that it would not be possible to have an effective and efficient system for imported products affected by the Bill.

It also appears that if import permits were disallowed as a result of the current Bill, that this could contravene Australia's obligations under the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures ('SPS Agreement').

In our view, the proposed Bill is unworkable.

Yours sincerely

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