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To Whom it may Concern

Submission to Senate Inquiry on Milk Price

At its meeting held 04 March 2011 Southern Councils Group (SCG) resolved to support the submission to the Inquiry lodged by Kiama Council on 03 March 2011.

Delegates noted in discussion that the maintenance of sensible supply chain market relationships is essential to the retention of one of the nation's most innovative and fertile dairy regions, closely proximate to both Sydney and Canberra.

One of the traditional and predominant commercial uses for rural land in the region is dairy farming and the Agricultural Diversification Strategy prepared for Southern Councils Group in 2003 confirmed the highly visibility of the industry as an essential component of the region's aesthetics and consequently its ability to underpin the region's lucrative tourism industry.

Your consideration of the Kiama Council submission and this support from SCG is respectfully requested.

Yours sincerely

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