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Performance of Australia's dairy industry and the profitability of Australian dairy farmers since deregulation in 2000

To Whom it May Concern,

Our Australian Dairy Industry use to be a viable industry but due to deregulation in 2000 and the soaring prices of water the industry is crumbling fast.

Our Government don't seem to be helping our dairy farmers. They've made water a commodity so the rich corporate entities are storing and holding vast amounts in dams and selling it back to the farmers at substantially higher rates. This along with deregulation has made it virtually impossible to grow the feed to feed the cows.

We are seeing dairy farmers leaving their farms in droves and that is devastating for the sustainability of our country as we know it.

I for one do not want to buy any dairy products that are brought in from overseas.

Bring back regulation of the Dairy Industry and stop selling our water rights to big business that buy these rights via large donations to political parties.

Yours Sincerely

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