Ms Ella Trickey Coroner's Registrar Coroners Court of Victoria 65 Kavanagh Street Southbank Vic 3006



21 June 2021

Dear Ella,

Ref COR 2018 004919 Investigation into the death of MRE

In response to the request to respond to Coroner Bracken's findings into the abovementioned investigation the Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) advises that the Coroner's recommendation is in the process of being implemented.

The VFF has been provided funding by the Department of Agriculture as part of the Victorian Government's Smarter Safer Farms initiative to provide services and develop resources to improve safety and to reduce farm related fatalities.

The VFF Making Our Farms Safer Project Team is actively engaging with WorkSafe Victoria and Kidsafe Victoria to improve farmer knowledge on health and safety responsibilities, including greater awareness aimed at highlighting the risks of children working on farms and driving farm vehicles.

VFF will, as part of these efforts, also include content on the subject of children and farm machinery in upcoming editions of the monthly 'Making Our Farms Safer' newsletter.

Should you wish to seek clarification please contact VFF's Senior Farm Safety Advisor, John Darcy on 0432 156 223.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Lovell

Chief Executive Officer

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