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20th June, 1984.

Mr. A. Harrison,
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Dear Mr. Harrison,

At our Annual Conference on Monday I was instructed to write to you re the following matters:-

- (1) Proposed Egg Quality Testing based on a points system for Producer Agents and Grading Floors. We believe there will be extra costs involved policing the scheme, with Inspectors needed every two weeks to take samples from the P.A.'s and farm packers. Who will be covering the cost of this extra requirement.
- (2) A survey of feed and other farm costs for Victorian Commercial Egg Producers to be carried out by Price Waterhouse Associates Pty. Ltd. Our Association agrees that some form of cost of production needs to be taken into account when setting egg prices. We would like to point out that Producers use varying types of grains at varying prices and this needs to be taken into consideration. We are interested in meeting with people concerned to learn more facts about this proposal.
- (3) Further to your letter of 20th February last, concerning the possibility of marketing egg powder tailings as an ingredient in feed preparations for the feeding of calves. We would like to know if any further progress has been made with the possibility of this product.
- (4) The members of our Association would like to invite the full Board to hold their meeting in Bendigo on 13th November, 1984, and meet with our Association afterwards. This proved very successful last year, giving Members of the Board and Producers from this area an opportunity to meet together.

(5) As 13th November is a long way off we would like to request a deputation with the whole Board in Melbourne as soon as it can be arranged as there are a few urgent matters we would like to discuss:-

- i.e.
- (i) The Board's new 5 year plan.
 - (ii) Rising Marketing costs
 - (iii) Sales.
 - (iv) New Products.
 - (v) Suggestion - That a Correspondence Programme be introduced informing all relevant groups on the Egg Industry in general. Those suggested to take part - Media, Consumer Groups, Members of Parliament and other interested groups.

Yours faithfully,

K. Fitzgibbon,
SECRETARY,