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5th April, 1988.

Mr. J. J. Wright,
Chief General Manager,
Department of Agriculture and Rural Affairs,
P.O. Box 500,
EAST MELBOURNE. 3002

Dear Mr. Wright,

Our Association would like to submit the following panel of names for the position of Producer Member on the Victorian Egg Marketing Board:-

Our nominations in order of preference are:-

(1) Ron Robins, Harcourt.

Date of Birth - 20th July, 1924.

He has been involved with the egg industry for 37 years and has reared a family of 3 sons on his farm. One son is now in partnership and between them run 10,500 birds, this would enable him to devote the time necessary for being a member on the Board.

He is director of the Commercial Egg Producers Association Co-operative (has been for 17 years including 2 terms as Chairman). This Co-operative has an excellent reputation and has been of great benefit to farmers throughout Northern Victoria.

He is at present President of the Central Council of the Commercial Egg Producers Association and also the Bendigo branch of C.E.P.A.

(2) Helen Janet Robertson.

Alternate Calder Highway, LOCKWOOD SOUTH.

Helen has been involved in Poultry farming for 30 years and been a member of the Commercial Egg Producers Association all that time.

She has managed the family poultry farm since her husband's death 15 years ago. At present running 11,500 birds.

She has been actively involved in Community work in the Lockwood area all her married life.

(3) Gary Kenneth Robertson.

Ravenswood-Marong Road, LOCKWOOD SOUTH.

Date of Birth - 25th March, 1952. He is married with three children and manages the family farm of 11,500 birds.

He has been a member of the Commercial Egg Producers Association for 7 years and is at present President of the South Bendigo Branch. He is actively involved in many local organisations.

Our Association is hoping that the Government will take a serious look at the people representing Producers on the Victorian Egg Marketing Board and will allow Country Producers some input into the direction and planning of the Board. For too long Country Producers have been ignored and discriminated against because of their geographic position, and we are hoping with the election of the New Board this situation will change.

Hoping that you will give this matter your very serious consideration.

Yours sincerely,

K. Fitzgibbon,
SECRETARY