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C.E.P.A. BENDIGO AND SOUTH BENDIGO BRANCHES
SEC. MRS. J. HEARD
WICKS RD.
MAIDEN GULLY

The Secretary
Egg Farmers of Victoria
Keysborough

Dear Sir,

Members of the above branches are most concerned at the present returns received for their eggs.

The time has surely come for an immediate increase in prices paid to producers.

Producers are getting the same returns as they did two years ago and this is an unreal situation when the rising costs of production and the rising cost of living are considered.

Even the Prices Commission recognizes that Victorian eggs are the cheapest in Australia despite being more costly to produce.

In this two year period feed has increased by \$52 per tonne. This figure can easily be confirmed by feed supply firms. This is just one cost factor. Rates, water, insurance, wire, posts in fact everything you need to run a farm has gone up in this time. It is quite unreal to think the egg farmer can keep on improving efficiency to stay viable.

We are seeking an immediate and substantial rise for all grades of eggs produced.

Yours faithfully

J. Heard Sec.
17/2/89.