



1<sup>st</sup> May 2021

## DISPUTE REPORT – MAY 2020 - 2021

*“Section 56 Dairy Industry Code report for the period 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020 to 1<sup>st</sup> May 2021*

*As provided for within the requirements of Section 56 of the Competition and Consumer (Industry Codes – Dairy) Regulations 2019, La Casa del Formaggio, (LCDF) reports a nil return as there have been no disputes lodged with LCDF that are disputes as defined in the Code.”*

For your information, please see the description in the code as follows:

### **56 Report on disputes**

- (1) For the purposes of this section:
  - (a) the first reporting period is the period beginning on 1 January 2020 and ending on 30 April 2020; and
  - (b) a later reporting period is a period of 12 months beginning on 1 May in a year.
- (2) A processor who is a party to a milk supply agreement must prepare a report for the first reporting period, and each later reporting period, stating the following:
  - (a) the number of disputes arising under or in connection with the agreement that were the subject of a mediation that commenced or ended in the reporting period;
  - (b) information about the nature of the disputes referred to in paragraph (a);
  - (c) the number of mediations conducted in the reporting period to resolve the disputes referred to in paragraph (a) and the average time taken to resolve the disputes;
  - (d) information about the outcome of the disputes referred to in paragraph (a);
  - (e) the number of disputes arising under or in connection with the agreement that were the subject of an arbitration that commenced or ended in the reporting period;
  - (f) information about the nature of the disputes referred to in paragraph (e);
  - (g) the number of arbitrations conducted in the reporting period to resolve the disputes referred to in paragraph (e) and the average time taken to resolve the disputes;

(h) information about the outcome of the disputes referred to in paragraph (e).

(3) The report must not:

(a) name, or otherwise specifically identify, a farmer or any other person (other than the processor) who was involved in the disputes covered by the report; or

(b) include any other information that would be in contravention of section 54.

(4) The processor must publish the report on the processor's website before 2 pm (by legal time in the Australian Capital Territory) on 1 June immediately after the end of the relevant reporting period.

Civil penalty: 300 penalty units.

(5) If the processor is required to publish a report under subsection (4) before 2 pm on a day in a financial year, the processor must not, after that 2 pm and before the end of the next financial year, vary the report or remove it from the processor's website.

Civil penalty: 300 penalty units