

Submission
Productivity Commission

I just wish to add further to my earlier submission

We have nearly completed our second harvest under the new deregulated system

Where are the buyers they are not here? We are being forced to store our harvest as most buyers want delivery later. What are we meant to do? Spend a couple of hundred thousand dollars on storage.

My wheat has made the H2 grade and unless you take a predatory price you can't find a home. This did not ever happen under a single desk system as all grain was taken at harvest and we got paid.

The poor prices cannot be blamed on export parity as that is not a true price as the grain from other countries are subsidised by governments who care about their farmers. NOT LIKE OUR GOVERNMENTS (liberal and Labour).

I'm disappointed by the response from farmers to this inquiry but I know farmers are busy at this time of year with harvest. After attending the Senate inquiry into the Single Desk I was disgusted the way it was conducted as it was a political point score with farmer's interest not rating. The feeling is that this inquiry will be the same. I sincerely hope that this will not be the case as this deregulation of the wheat exporting is the last nail in the coffin and I feel I am speaking for 99.99% of farmers.

I note that there only 2 submissions posted. I know other people have faxed submissions. Where are the submissions? I have asked people have they put in a submission and the most common response is that the commission won't take any notice so why bother and that it was conducted during harvest so we are too busy to respond. In saying that I must finish and get back on my header. I am seriously considering not selling my grain at below cost prices and not planting a crop this next year. CONGRADULATION FOR RUINING OUR FUTURE

Yours Sincerely
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