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Dear [name redacted]

Thank you for sending through priorities for the Organic Development Group (ODG) and advocating on behalf of your members. We note that Minister Collins has recently met with the ODG to discuss the best path forward for the organics industry.

A re-elected Albanese Labor Government is open to working with industry on a domestic regulation, and we will take into consideration the recommendations of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee's recent inquiry into the *National Organic Standards Bill 2024*. We are committed to working with industry and stakeholders to achieve appropriate regulations that do not unfairly burden small farmers, pass excessive costs onto consumers or fall foul of our international obligations.

An Albanese Labor Government is also committed to expanding Australia's trade in organic products. The Government recently signed a Statement of Intent on Organics with China and is negotiating an upgraded Organics Equivalency arrangement with the EU, as well as a Mutual Recognition Agreement with India. A future Albanese Labor Government would examine opportunities to expand market access where appropriate and look to build on our previous success.

I trust this information is of assistance to you and will help your members in their considerations.

Kind regards

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