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GPSA Endorse Recommendations by State Select Committee on Grain Handling

Grain Producers SA Ltd (GPSA) CEO, Darren Arney, welcomed the recommendations contained in the report handed down by the South Australian Select Committee on Grain Handling.

"GPSA has been involved with this inquiry since it commenced early in 2011. We have made several written submissions and appeared before a number of hearings, to express on behalf the grain producers the deficiencies within the grain supply chain" he said.

"The Select Committee has taken a considered and pragmatic approach in identifying the issues as well as developing recommendations to solve these issues" he said.

The Select Committee recommendations support the proposals put forward by GPSA and other state grower groups to the Senate Inquiry into the Grain Supply Chain and the Wheat Export Marketing Amendment Bill 2012 which saw a dissenting report from Senators supporting calls for a more competitive grain supply chain and to protect the reputation of Australian grain to overseas markets.

"GPSA supports the move to open up grain markets to competing exporters under deregulation. What South Australian grain producers have identified is a need for more competition in the grain supply chain and there is a need for government assistance to develop legislation to achieve this" said Mr Arney.

About Grain Producers SA Limited

Grain Producers SA (GPSA) seeks to represent all grain producers in South Australia. A poll of grain producers in September 2011, indicated 90% support from South Australian grain growers, for GPSA to be the peak grains body representing grain producers in South Australia.

GPSA is a not-for-profit, South Australian organisation, seeking to improve the profitability and sustainability of all grain producers in South Australia.

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