



19 June 2023

Mr Phillip Glyde
Chair
Live Sheep Phase Out Panel

Via email: livesheep.phaseout@agriculture.gov.au

Dear Mr Glyde,

The Red Meat Advisory Council (RMAC) welcomes the opportunity to provide a submission to the phase out of live sheep exports by sea panel.

RMAC is Australia's only policy leadership and advisory forum made up of producers, lot feeders, processors, smallgoods manufacturers, retailers and livestock exporters, representing the entire red meat supply chain from paddock to plate. RMAC members are the following prescribed industry representative bodies under the Australian Meat and Livestock Industry Act 1997:

- Australian Livestock Exporters' Council,
- Australian Lot Feeders' Association,
- Australian Meat Industry Council,
- Cattle Australia,
- Sheep Producers Australia, and
- Goat Industry Council of Australia.

RMAC strongly supports the submissions made to the phase out of live sheep exports by sea panel by our members. All agricultural industries are at risk if political and activist agendas are allowed to determine their future, rather than evidence of reform, improvement and performance. RMAC therefore supports its members opposition to the governments phase out policy and the appalling precedent that its implementation would present.

Please do not hesitate to contact RMAC's Chief Executive Officer, Mr Alastair James if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

John McKillop
Independent Chair
Red Meat Advisory Council



AUSTRALIAN LIVESTOCK
EXPORTERS COUNCIL



AUSTRALIAN LOT FEEDERS'
ASSOCIATION



Australian
Meat Industry
Council



CATTLE
AUSTRALIA



Goat Industry Council of Australia

