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To the Commissioners
Commission of Inquiry – Paradise Dam

Invitation for Commission of Inquiry to consider the Report titled *Assessment of Dam Safety Issues, Paradise Dam Queensland Australia* by Rizzo International Inc.

Given the significant community, agricultural and economic impacts of any deconstruction of the Paradise Dam, BFVG believe it is critical for the Commission of Inquiry to consider the report by Rizzo International Inc. titled *Assessment of Dam Safety Issues, Paradise Dam Queensland Australia*.

Dr Paul Rizzo of Rizzo International was called as expert witness by the Commission of Inquiry and participated in the concurrent session Tuesday 10th March 2020 titled *Shear Strength Testing*. In addition to this Dr Rizzo provided to the Commission upon request a Friction Angle Analysis of Paradise Dam.

Rizzo International's Report titled *Assessment of Dam Safety Issues, Paradise Dam Queensland Australia* is relevant to the Inquiry owing to its investigation of alleged structural and stability issues.

Bundaberg Fruit and Vegetable Growers represents the interests of the sector in the Bundaberg region, which is one of the largest production horticulture regions in Australia, growing a diverse range of healthy nutritious fruits, vegetables, nuts and herbs.

This region is estimated to have an annual farm gate value of more than \$600 million, injects over \$1 billion into the local economy and plays an integral role in the nation's food security.

Rizzo International's report is attached and we thank the Commission for considering this submission.

Kind regards

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