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RURAL WOMEN NEW ZEALAND (INC) SUBMISSION

Regulations 2023 for the Incorporated Societies Act 2022

Rural Women New Zealand (RWNZ) welcomes the opportunity to provide this letter of support to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) as our submission on the Regulations 2023 for the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 Consultation.

As a dedicated member of The Australasian Society of Association Executives (AuSAE), Rural Women New Zealand (RWNZ) is writing in express support of their submission regarding the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 – Regulations 2023.

The amendments proposed by AuSAE are essential for our sector's prosperity. These recommendations, derived from substantial experience, offer valuable insights that should be integrated into the Act's Regulations.

We urge MBIE to consider these recommendations, which are tailored to ensure a fair, inclusive, and efficient operating environment for incorporated societies.

About Rural Women New Zealand

Rural Women New Zealand (RWNZ) is a not-for-profit, member-based organisation that reaches into all rural communities to provide a credible and respected voice on rural environment, health, education, technology, business and social issues.

RWNZ strives to ensure that all rural residents, workers and families have equitable access to services, inequalities are addressed by Government, and the wellbeing of rural communities is considered from the beginning of all policy and legislative development.

RWNZ is affiliated to the Associated Country Women of the World and as such upholds all United Nations, International Labor Organisation (ILO), Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and World Health Organisation (WHO) conventions and outcome statements as they relate to women and rural women in particular.

Nāku iti noa, nā

Privacy of natural persons

Gabrielle O'Brien Chief Executive