

December 21, 2020

Mr. Richard Simonaitis

Chief Executive Officer

Australian Export Grains Innovation Centre

Dear Mr. Simonaitis,

Request regarding Efforts to Lower the Ratio of Dockage in ASW for Japan

We deeply appreciate your cooperation in solving various issues related to securing the quality and safety of Australian Standard White Wheat (ASW) for Japan.

An important quality issue we are facing is the ratio of dockage, which has remained at a high level. We have requested the Australian Export Grains Innovation Centre and CBH to adopt measures to lower the ratio of dockage. We are very grateful for your consideration of our request and the efforts you have made in response.

We hope that an extensive review, including review of the acceptance standards by Grain Trade Australia (GTA) and other related organizations and the implementation of trials, as proposed by CBH at the online meeting held on November 10, will lead to reduced ratio of dockage.

We believe that the most effective way to reduce the ratio of dockage is to install a cleaning device to physically remove foreign materials in each of the distribution processes up to shipment (i.e., from the production fields to grain export elevators). We therefore continue to ask you to positively consider installing cleaning devices.

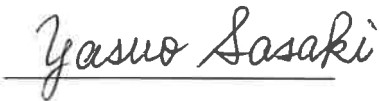
Another effective way to reduce the ratio of dockage is to review the acceptance standards as you mentioned in the last meeting. On this point, we submitted a written request to GTA in

December 2018 asking for the revision of ANW2 standards (items related to dockage), which has led to review of some of the standard items, thanks to your strong backup. We deeply appreciate your understanding and support.

With the above in mind, we are now submitting new requests (see the attachment). We ask for your continued support to have these requests met through consultation and coordination with GTA, CBH, and other related organizations.

Thank you again for the cooperation you and other related organizations have extended to us. Best wishes for your continued good health and success.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Yasuo Sasaki". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Yasuo Sasaki

Executive Director, Japan Flour Millers Association (JFMA)

## Attachment

### 1 Changes to ANW2 acceptance standards (items related to dockage)

We ask you to request GTA to do the following:

- (1) When reviewing the receival standards henceforth, to revise all standard items that have been relaxed since November 2010 back to the numerical standards used up until November 2010.
- (2) If it is difficult to review all the standards immediately, to promptly consider revising just the “Screenings Max (% by weight). All matter passing through a 2.0 mm slotted screen” standard from the current 10% to 5%, as it used to be until November 2010.

### 2 Sharing information on the contents and schedule of the trials

- (1) When the details of the trials have been decided, we would like to regularly receive information on the details of the implementation method, schedule (from receival point to shipment), and progress of the trials, through collaboration with CBH.
- (2) We ask you to request CBH to provide opportunities for AEGIC and Consulate-General of Japan in Perth to attend the trials to confirm their progress.