# Australian Dairy Farms Group 

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## Australian Dairy Farms to enter organic Infant formula market and convert all dairy farms to 100\% organic

- Going for organic growth: AHF to convert all six dairy farms to organic production
- Organic infant formula from Australian organic milk

26 March 2018, Melbourne: The board of Australian Dairy Farms (ASX: AHF) has announced plans to convert its six high-quality Victorian dairy farms to organic production and to invest in associated operational changes as part of a plan to produce organic infant formula for Australian and overseas markets.

Directors are confident the strategy will reposition the company from being a minor participant in the highly competitive conventional milk market, to a supplier of organic infant formula from Australian grown and processed organic milk.
"This is a high value-added market with major barriers to entry and sparse competition," said CEO Mr Peter Skene.
"The initiatives are a first significant step in making the company a major player in producing and distributing organic premium-quality branded food products."
"While a vertically integrated and efficient producer currently, the company has a modest market share in the conventional milk market. The board believes the company's best prospects lie with moving up the value chain to be a highly profitable manufacturer of these speciality products."

The company's core assets are its six farms in what's known as Victoria's golden triangle of dairy production in the state's south-west. The properties consist of 3600 acres populated by 3500 free-range milking cattle, producing 17 million litres of milk annually.

The group also owns an acquired milk processing facility, the Camperdown Dairy Company (CDC).
CDC is capable of producing specialist milks such as organic, Jersey and free range. It currently produces bottled milks, butter, cream and yoghurts under "own brand" labels and is a contract packer for other suppliers.

The initial development of the plan commenced some 18 months ago and was progressed to the point of being ready to communicate in July 2017. The company's five-year plan flagged a comprehensive feasibility assessment, which is now well advanced and focussed on being an organic infant formula producer and brand owner and includes new specialised production facilities on land owned already by the company.

These include a UHT (long life) milk facility for domestic and export markets, and new best practice wetblend milk powder drying plant for organic infant formula from Australian organic milk.

The company will progress these facilities to enhance its flexible and short-run capacity for specialist milks, rather than high-volume commodity milk processing.

A key focus will be on expanding value adding opportunities for farms already in the process of applying for organic certification.

As well as converting the farms to organic production, the board has started formal preliminary planning of a new wet blending spray drying plant and a pharmaceutical-grade tinning and labelling facility for the infant formula all on the same site.

These new facilities will be based on 10 acres of commercial and industrial zoned land in Camperdown acquired in November last year. The board plans to progress discussions with prospective joint venture partners in parts of the new facilities.

## *Refer to the attached presentation which forms part of this announcement, for more details.

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## Overview

- AHF intends to enter the organic infant formula market with new company owned brands, and a vertically integrated AUSTRALIAN manufacturing facility using AUSTRALIAN organic milk
- AHF has completed applications for conversion to organic milk production on all 3,600 acres (which based on today's market will become the largest single owned entity organic dairy farming operation in Australia)
- AHF will have vertical supply chain and control, with organic farms, processing and infant formula tinning in Western Victoria
- AHF are growing from bottled milk, yoghurt and butter markets to Australian Origin Organic Infant Formula - high value, growth rates and high barriers to entry
(Subject to final feasibility outcomes - refer to Forward-Looking Statements on page 1)


## Australian Dairy Market Competitive

Wholesale and retail non organic milk prices have been declining in real terms since the industry was deregulated in 2000. Since 2001, the retail price of private label milk has declined in real terms by a further $12 \%$ on earlier reductions*

AHF plan to produce Organic Infant formula


> Growing from bottled conventional milk, yoghurt and butter markets to Australian Organic Infant Formula
> - high value, high growth rates and high barriers to entry

## Organic Dairy Market Opportunity

- The organic milk sector provides more attractive stable long term returns for dairy farmers (Dairy Day 2016 Bellamy's Australia)
- Australian organic milk pool is estimated to be only 40 million Litres per year (Dairy Day 2016 Bellamy's Australia)
- The current largest pool of organic milk is only 21.9 million Litres of milk and includes supply from over 20 farmers to supply the volume (reference Organic Dairy Farmers of Australia annual report 2016-2017)
- AHF's current milk volume is circa 17 million Litres per year which, combined with other ingredients, can produce a significant volume of organic infant formula


### 1.7 OPPORTUNITIES

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## Demand for

 organic products is outstripping supply in Australia and globally> Australian Dairy Farms have completed applications for conversion to organic milk production on all 3,600 acres (which based on today's market will become the largest single entity organic dairy farming operation in Australia)

## Organic Dairy Market Opportunity

Top Perceived 'Free From' Benefits of Organic Food*


Australia's Top 12 Perceived Benefits* of Organic Food


Chemical Free - Additive Free - Non GMO - Hormone and Antibiotic Free

- Cruelty Free


## Organic Dairy Market Opportunity

Organic Dairy Products are the most frequently purchased organic food, according to a survey of Australian Shoppers

Natural/Organic Shoppers by channel and generation


## Organic Dairy Market Opportunity

> There has been a significant increase in the \% of all shoppers purchasing organic dairy products from 34\% in 2012 to $47 \%$ in 2016

| ORGANIC SECTOR | \% ALL SHOPPERS WHO CLAIMED PURCHASE IN PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS |  |  | FREQUENCY OF PURCHASE | USUAL PLACE OF PURCHASE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2016 | 2014 | 2012 |  |  |
| FRUIT AND VEGETABLES | 61\% | 57\% | 60\% | Moderating with more occasional buyers. | Supermarkets have highest share at $56 \%$ but down from $63 \%$ in 2014; alternative outlets making sound share gains. |
|  | Penetration highest of all categories \& increasing. |  |  |  |  |
| DAIRY <br> (E.G. MILK, YOGHURT, AND CREAM ) | 47\% | 41\% | 34\% | Solid uplift in 1-30 day frequency in 2016, continuing positive trend. | Supermarkets dominant, other outlets showing marginal gains. |
|  | Strong gains continue period on period. |  |  |  |  |

## Organic Dairy Market Opportunity

Organic Dairy Market in Australia is achieving scale and is growing at an impressive rate of $16 \%$ per year



## Organic Infant Formula Market Opportunity

- Entering the organic infant formula market with new company owned brands, and a vertically integrated AUSTRALIAN manufacturing facility using AUSTRALIAN milk from its own farms
- Vertical supply chain and control, with organic farms, processing and infant formula tinning in Western Victoria


## Organic Infant Formula Market Opportunity

CEO Peter Skene states...

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## A solid foundation for brand development, reach and consumer trust

- Organic certified by independent body.
- Sustainably - Lower food miles with fresh local milk vs imported skim milk powder and whole milk powder (which would be months old before making it to a tin).
- Sustainability - A farm ecosystem that is less reliant on chemical and non organic inputs.
- New modern world class local manufacturing facility to be located on AHF owned industrial land in close proximity to farms.
- Vertical integration - AHF owned Organic Farms and AHF owned processing means, supply chain and quality control.
- Extensive, existing AHF dairy industry experience from farmer to consumer.


## Organic Infant Formula Market Forecast

- The Australian and NZ sales of Organic Infant formula is expected to grow from USD \$169 Mil in 2017 to USD \$400 Mil by 2023

Australian and New Zealand Organic Infant Formula
Market Value (2017-2023)
USD Mill


## Organic Baby Formula Market Sales




## Supply Chain Key Elements

- Local milk vs long shelf life imports of skim and whole milk powders
- Own manufacturing assets vs out-sourced manufacturing
- Wet blend/dryer and tinning co-located vs dry blending and or tinning on a remote site



## Supply Chain Key Elements

## AHF Dairy Parkland

- Purchase completed
- Town planning consultant engaged
- Preparation for prospective expansion with JV partners
- Securing future for the existing Camperdown factory




## Supply Chain Building Blocks

Value chain analysis of global organic infant formula market


## Supply Chain Building Blocks

Supply chain analysis of global organic infant formula market



## Market Drivers

Drivers of current and future growth


## DRIVERS

- Increasing proportion of working women
- Rising demand for organic infant formula
- Strong performance of retail sector


## OPPORTUNITIES

- R\&D investments and new product developments
- Premiumisation of infant formula brands
- Key emerging market

Listed Infant formula Companies vs AHF

|  | ORGANIC | BRANDED | INFANT FORMULA | VERTICAL INTEGRATION | MARKET CAP | TURNOVER | MARKET CAP/ TURNOVER |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bellamy's Organic | ( | ( | ( | $x$ | 2,198 | 240 | 9.15X |
| A2 | 3 | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | 3 | 8498 | 523 | 16.2X |
| Wattle Health | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\checkmark$ | 3 | 215 | 0.9 | 238X |
| Bub's | - | $\checkmark$ | ( | ( | 286 | 3.9 | 73.3 |
| AHF Today | 3 | $\checkmark$ | 3 | $\checkmark$ | 25 | 23.4 | 1.07 |

## AHF will become a vertically intergated, producer of Organic Infant Baby Formula from <br> 100\% Australian Organic Milk

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## About Australian Dairy Farms Group

Australian Dairy Farms Group (AHF) was Australia's first ASX listed dairy farmer. Its initial focus was on aggregating high quality dairy farms in Victoria, initially in the South Western region with particular emphasis initially, on the famous Dairy Golden Triangle region of South West Victoria between Warrnambool and Colac south of the Princes Highway to the coast around Port Campbell.
In April 2016 the Group completed the acquisition of Camperdown Dairy Company Pty Ltd - ACN 140640606 (Camperdown Dairy) - see announcement on http://www.adfl.com.au/ announcements .
Camperdown Dairy is a wholly owned subsidiary of AHF. The Group is now a vertically integrated milk producer, processor and product distributor in Australia. Refer to the Group's Strategy Overview release to market on 11 July 2017 for additional information about AHF's immediate and longer term strategic planning. See the above link to ASX announcements or the Group's website for a copy of the Group's Strategy Overview.
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