

16 November 2017 ASX Announcement

## Murray Goulburn reaches settlement with ASIC

Murray Goulburn Co-operative Co. Limited and MG Responsible Entity Limited (MGRE) (together, Murray Goulburn) have agreed a settlement with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) in relation to ASIC's investigation into Murray Goulburn's conduct over the period prior to the ASX announcement on 27 April 2016. The settlement is subject to Federal Court approval.

ASIC will apply to the Federal Court seeking a declaration of one contravention by MGRE of the continuous disclosure provisions of the Corporations Act for the period 22 March – 26 April 2016 and a civil penalty of \$650,000. Under the settlement, MGRE will agree to the civil contravention and the proposed penalty.

It is not alleged by ASIC that Murray Goulburn deliberately contravened its continuous disclosure obligations.

Murray Goulburn Chairman John Spark welcomed the conclusion of ASIC's investigation.

"Murray Goulburn takes its disclosure obligations very seriously and has cooperated fully with ASIC during its investigation of these matters. We consider that this settlement is in the best interests of Murray Goulburn as we continue to focus on our objective of supporting our farmer suppliers, including through the proposed Saputo sale process announced on 27 October 2017."

The matter is due to come before the Federal Court shortly for the court's approval of the settlement.

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## **About the MG Unit Trust**

The MG Unit Trust (ASX:MGC) is a special purpose funding vehicle which provides its unitholders with an economic exposure to the business of Murray Goulburn Co-operative Co. Limited (Murray Goulburn). The Responsible Entity of the MG Unit Trust is MG Responsible Entity Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Murray Goulburn.