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## Operations Update - Avian Influenza

Farm Pride Foods Ltd (ASX: FRM) ('FRM' or 'the Company') advises that as part of our proactive approach to monitoring the Avian Influenza (AI) situation in Meridith, Victoria and the surrounding control regions, the Company has been actively collaborating with the Victorian Department of Agriculture (Vic Ag) to conduct thorough hen health assessments.

Results received from extensive testing conducted on 1 June 2024, indicated that hens in all sheds on the Lethbridge Aviary and Lethbridge Rocks sites were negative for AI.

Testing conducted on 2 June 2024 (with results received late on 3 June 2024) has found that free range hens at the Lethbridge Aviary site were positive for the H7N3 strain. This is the same strain found on the egg farm at Meredith approximately 10 days ago.

The total hens at the Lethbridge Aviary site comprise approximately 80,000 free range hens. This represents approximately 8% of Farm's Pride's total production capacity.

The Company will seek compensation from the Emergency Animal Disease Compensation Scheme arising from the disposal of these birds.

The hens at the Lethbridge Rocks site tested negative for AI on 1 June and 2 June 2024. This site is currently being treated as separate to the Lethbridge Aviary site and will continue to be monitored in conjunction with VicAg.

Farm Pride has a further separate site with approx. 40,000 free range hens in the Lethbridge area which is also subject to monitoring and testing.

All of the Company's operations outside the Lethbridge area continue to operate as normal.

This announcement has been authorised by the Board of Farm Pride Foods Ltd.

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## About Farm Pride (FRM)

Farm Pride is a leading ASX listed vertically integrated egg company that farms, processes and markets a range of egg and egg related products. FRM continues to develop its farming business to meet the markets evolving requirement for cage free eggs. FRM maintains strong relationships in the supermarket channel and with industrial food manufacturers. FRM is also committed to maintaining the highest level of environmental, social and corporate governance responsibility and is the only egg company in Australia to manufacture its own egg cartons using recycled newsprint and cardboard. For more information, visit FRM's website.

