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### **ALRTA Comments on Draft Cattle and Sheep Animal Welfare Standards & Guidelines**

I write on behalf of the Australian Livestock and Rural Transporters Association (ALRTA) in response to the draft Cattle and Sheep Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines.

The ALRTA and our State Associations have been involved in the development of the Land Transport Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines and we are generally supportive of the agreed content.

It is vitally important to ensure that there is consistency in content and terminology across the full spectrum of Standards and Guidelines that are being developed as part of the Australian Animal Welfare Strategy – particularly in cases in which there is an overlap in responsibilities within the supply chain. Any inconsistencies will create confusion and undermine the purpose of establishing national standards.

The ALRTA is aware that several inconsistencies have been identified in the separate submission made by our State Associate, the Livestock and Rural Transporters Association of Western Australia (LRTAWA).

The ALRTA supports the LRTAWA in seeking to have these matters rectified in the final standards.

Please contact the ALRTA Executive Director, Mathew Munro, on (02) 6247 5434 or [mathew@alrta.org.au](mailto:mathew@alrta.org.au) if you wish to discuss this submission.

Yours sincerely

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