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To whom it may concern.

I wish to request that our local cheese manufacturers be permitted to produce cheese from raw milk. I sell cheese through my business, The Albert Park Deli, at 129 Dundas Place, Albert Park, Vict 3206. The business has been in the hands of my family since 1974. I have witnessed the increase in the variety of cheeses available to the consumer in that time, and our cheese industry with it. The development of the dairy industry to another level hinges on this decision. Australia has the natural resources and potential to produce even more superb cheese. I feel the only thing preventing this is the fact that raw milk cannot be used to produce cheese that requires it so a product with more complex characteristics and therefore, more sophistication can be developed. At present the potential of Australia's dairy industry, and cheese manufacturers is thwarted by this restriction. I am not concerned that the use raw milk would be a health risk.

yours sincerely

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