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### **TIPA Submission – Review of the Primary Industry Activities Protection Act 1995**

In Tasmania, there are about 50 pig farms where they raise approximately 13,000 pigs and produce 2,150 tonnes of pork each year. The Tasmanian Island Pork Alliance (TIPA) represents over 85% of pig numbers and production in the state.

TIPA has a partnership with the Tasmanian Farmers and Graziers Association (TFGA) where they undertake the secretariat and coordinator role for our supporters.

TIPA supports the current PIAP Act that was introduced to specifically stop the common law action of nuisance being used to prevent farmers pursuing the normal, legitimate and statutorily authorized activities which form a necessary part of good agricultural practices. However, we recognize that the intent of the Act has not been meaningfully delivered for a whole range of reasons. If steps are not taken to address the emotional, physical and financial burden this places on farmers, then our capacity to continue to operate our businesses viably into the future will be severely questionable.

We support the TFGA's submission on this matter. As an intensive livestock industry, we can produce noise, particularly at feed time; and amplified odours, especially with the spreading of effluent. However, these actions result from legitimate and lawful pig farming practices and so must be accepted as an inevitable consequence of modern farming.

TIPA believes that, when abiding by all relevant regulations and legislation, all farmers have a right to farm without undue or unwarranted interference from either the government or from other members of the community.

Yours sincerely

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