

Parties consulted in relation to establishing a compulsory farm debt mediation scheme in New Zealand

1. Officials have consulted with the following New Zealand-based stakeholders:
 - a. The rural sector –
 - i. Federated Farmers
 - ii. Rural Women New Zealand
 - iii. Canterbury Rural Support Trust
 - iv. Hawkes Bay Rural Support Trust
 - v. Dairy New Zealand
 - vi. Dairy Women's Network
 - vii. Beef + Lamb New Zealand
 - viii. Horticulture New Zealand
 - ix. Te Tumu Paeroa
 - x. s 9(2)(a) , farmers' advocate.
 - b. The banking sector –
 - i. New Zealand Bankers Association
 - ii. ANZ Bank
 - iii. Westpac Bank
 - iv. The Banking Ombudsman Scheme
 - v. s 9(2)(a) , former agri-business banking representative.
 - c. Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand.
 - d. Restructuring, Insolvency and Turnaround Association of New Zealand
 - e. Primary Sector Chartered Accountants.
2. Officials also consulted with the following Australian organisations and individuals:
 - a. The Rural Assistance Authority, which is part of the New South Wales Department of Primary Industries

- b. Two accredited mediators (s 9(2)(a) and s 9(2)(a))
- c. The Resolution Institute
- d. The NSW Farmers' Association
- e. The Australian Banking Association
- f. ANZ Bank.

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