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To the upper house inquiry.

I submit this response on behalf of the transport providers on King Island who cart cattle to the small vessels that are servicing King Island.

Two main points are:

Cost of registration for Prime Movers since the closure of the local meat works all cattle are carted on ship day to reduce double handling and meet M S A meat grading.

During the Mersey service, this usually required 5 or 6 trucks doing two or three loads (6 hours work).

Now with smaller vessels this is usually 3 hours twice a week for 6 to 8 trucks.

Either way the price (over \$100 per week) for rego for 6 hours work is a supply chain cost the Island should not have carry.

This has been raised with the Minister, his response was, it was an issue for COAG, and he would put our concerns forward on our behalf.

Most of the trucks do some seasonal work with fertiliser or lime sand. This may be for 5 months, but seasonal rego concession is not applicable, as we need to maintain rego for the full year to do the six hours per week cattle work.

What I purpose and would not need to go to COAG, is, seeing as all the commodities are for agriculture, that the primary production rebate be made available to reduce this burden.

The second issue is the weather dependence of the current service providers, means we are on call 7 days a week. This has a detrimental impact on our ability to do other work or plan social activities.

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On behalf of the Transport Operators