



Dear Fellow Supplier,

Christmas and the New Year have come and gone for another year. I hope that you were able to get some time to spend with family and friends.

As we are all aware there are fires everywhere! The most amazing thing about us Aussies is that when the chips are down we all want to dig in and help.

To date we have no Fonterra farms directly affected, but we all know it's far bigger than the colour of our signs. We all need to pull together.

I have had calls asking about how to help, and what we can do as a group. I have spoken with Matt and we stand ready to assist the best agencies to co-ordinate the needs of each region. Individually, I urge you to support agencies like the VFF for fodder if you're able. The number to contact there is 1300 882 833.

I have received an email from Fonterra Chairman John Monaghan to pass on to all of our Australian farmers recognising the fires and that Fonterra has already put some things in place to help. His email is below.

I will send more information as soon as I have it. Stay safe!

Thanks John

**John Dalton**

Chair - Fonterra Australia Suppliers' Council

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