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NSW Wild Caught Fishers Coalition (WCFC) – Statement of Intent

The following statements of intent are provided to The Chair and the Interim Board.

WCFC Committee make the following statements:

The WCFC Committee will sign off to wind up WCFC once the following outcomes are substantiated:

- The 'NSW Commercial Fishing Industry Association' is deemed to be the Wild Harvest Industry Peak Body.
- That the New Constitution format is in formal print, approved, passed, and signed off by the Interim Board.
- That the New Body is Incorporated under the Department of Fair Trading.
- That the new board has been elected by the commercial fishers under the new Constitution.
- That a new chairperson has been selected.
- That a new CEO is employed and accepted by the industry.
- That there is acceptance of the various groups created by WCFC for promotion of the Wild Harvest Fishing Industry across Australia.
- That a dedicated funding stream is created to fund promotion from the members fees.
- That a dedicated person/s is identified to head up promotion and be admin for groups.
- That the organisation region by region has input to DPI/Fisheries management decisions that are open and transparent in proper open consultation and delegates elected have the capacity to consult region by region with the rest of industry (shareholders and licenced fishers).
- That DPI demonstrates it is listening to all fishers concerns not just a select few under-confidentiality agreements. (Conflicts of interest shareholders).
- That DPI distributes consultation management notices to all commercial fishers at the same time.
- That both organisations have tabled liabilities outstanding and resolved.
- That a bank account is operating under the registered name with a minimum of two signatories, one from each group.
- That the signatories must be members of the board selected for that purpose.
- That a Treasurer, Chairperson and Vice Chairperson are elected.
- That a secretary is employed.
- That a public Risk Insurance cover is functioning.
- That the objective of the new organisation includes equity for all fishing businesses as is the intent of the Share Management Act.
- That members of the Commercial Fishing Industry are happy and content that the Peak Industry Body is working for them and are comfortable with the process implemented.

WCFC will continue as an organisation, to work toward promotion of the new organisation and membership provided its current delegates views are equally recognised, evaluated, and determined at the board table like any other issue tabled.

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