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To: Scrutiny Panel members

Ref: Cattle Semen Import

I am anxious to meet with you to discuss my fears for the future of the Island Jersey should semen not be imported.

Having worked on a farm virtually every weekend and holiday from the age of fourteen, on completion of 'A' levels, I gained three years full time experience before going to Agricultural College in the U.K. for two years.

I then spent nearly five years working as a relief milker in the Island, gaining experience on twelve herds of various sizes. I have also spent six months in New Zealand in the dairy industry as well as visiting herds throughout Australia, New Zealand and Canada and the U.K. Over the last three years I have attended events held by the cattle judging school of the U.K. Jersey Cattle Society.

For the last three and a half years I have been managing the herd at Cottage Farm, and when I buy the herd at the end of the year, I will be the youngest independent dairy farmer in the Island.

My parents are not dairy farmers, so I have not had the easy option of joining the family farm on leaving school, but have had to enter the industry "the hard way". I will be investing a large amount of money in what I hope will be a good and secure future in the dairy industry.

I have a real passion for the Jersey Cow and with a good deal of experience of Jerseys, both in the Island and around the world, I feel entitled, and qualified to have a say in this future.

Yours sincerely



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