

# Review of Wine Industry National Organisational Structures

## Statement of Intent

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A Task Force has been established comprising the Chairs of the Winemakers' Federation of Australia (WFA), Wine Grape Growers' Australia, the Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation, and the Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation, to oversee a Review of the National Organisational Structures of the Australian Wine Industry, with the objective of ensuring that future industry structures deliver against an aligned set of strategic objectives. The Task Force will be Chaired by the WFA President.

The Review will be conducted according to the following Terms of Reference:

- A Define the current core and non-core functions of the two voluntary peak bodies (Winemakers' Federation of Australia and Wine Grape Growers' Australia) and the two statutory corporations (Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation and Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation)
- B Evaluate the collective functions that need to be carried out by industry organisations taking into account experience from current structures and future requirements as outlined in the wine industry *Directions* strategy and the grape industry strategy, *'Taking Stock and Setting Directions'*
- C Review current operations in order to propose preferred options that best fit requirements for:
  - delivery of aligned industry strategic imperatives and goals
  - equity regarding levy contributions
  - management efficiency in program delivery
  - functional relationships between industry and government
  - sustainable industry funding
  - genuine accountability to industry that meets government requirements
  - communication and strategic alignment between the national body(s) and state and regional associations, and
  - securing the contribution of matching Australian Government funding against industry R&D levies up to the GVP cap.
- D Recommend an implementation process for the preferred option taking into account transitional arrangements and government legislative processes.

An independent consultant has been contracted to work with the Task Force, the WFA executive and participating entities to fulfill these Terms.

The Review process will include consultation with government, State and regional associations, other related entities, industry leaders and stakeholders.

**Submissions can be forwarded to the Review team at any time** via NOS Review, WFA, PO Box 2414, Kent Town SA 5071.

A Consultation Paper will be provided to key stakeholders, including levy payers and the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, in September 2007.

The Task Force will make its final recommendations to a joint meeting of WFA and WGGA in November 2007.