

# SADA UPDATE

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## FOR THE INFORMATION OF ALL DAIRY FARMERS

As you would all be aware of the fire at Thomas Foods International last Wednesday 3 January, you may be wondering what is going on. The plant suffered substantial damage and is un-operational in the short term.

The following information has been provided for dairy farmers.

Because cattle, in particular dairy cattle, have a use by date we have been seeking an alternative for processing your cattle, and at this stage it is looking like Midfield Meats will be helping us out.

With this in mind it will be business as usual as far as ringing me with your bookings and I will coordinate the transport for the collection points.

We will need to be a little mindful of a few things:

- Once you give me your numbers they will be hard to change as I need to match it to a truck my end.
- I will be able to ball park price if required.
- I will send trading detail forms to anyone that will require it. Your payments will come directly from Midfield Meats.
- We will need to pay attention to NVD entries (ie ANY change on the Document must be initialled, put in a number for NLIS ear tags NOT just a tic, If you change the number of cattle to be sent-change the number of tags, don't forget to date & sign It, And above all put in the new destination address (That I will forward to you.)

As distance travel is not the most desirable for dairy cattle or the best outcome for a lot of you dairy folk, I hope we can make it work in the short term for all concerned.

If you have any questions or would like to give me some answers please call I would welcome any input you may have.

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