Dairy contract goes to Queenslander Pauls

The Member for Keppel Brittany Lauga has moved to clarify statements on social media regarding a dairy contract awarded by the Palaszczuk Government.

“For starters, let me say the Palaszczuk Government absolutely supports Queensland producers.

“Our contracts are assessed in line with the Queensland Procurement Policy, with all tenderers asked to provide information about local benefit and value for money.”

Ms Lauga said the successful contractor for the Metro North Hospital and Health Service milk, cheese and yoghurt contract, Pauls, is proud to call Queensland home having opened the first Pauls milk factory on the banks of the Brisbane River back in the 1930s.

“Their national head office is in South Brisbane, and they hire 538 locals in the Brisbane region.”

She said Pauls supplies milk from 141 Queensland farms, which represents 45% of the total Queensland dairy farms.

“All of Pauls’ Queensland farms are family-owned and operated.”

She said Pauls was also the only tenderer able to supply the full range of full and low-fat products required including milk, cheese and yoghurt, to meet the dietary standards and varied requirements of patients at the Metro North Hospital and Health Service.
“I want to reiterate that no milk will be imported from overseas, with as much as possible being sourced directly from Queensland dairies,” said Ms Lauga.

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