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## **2009 GRAIN CO-PRODUCTION PROJECT– JUNE 2009**

This report has been prepared by AACL as the Project Manager of the 2007, 2008 and 2009 Grain Co- Production Projects.

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### **PROJECT UPDATE**

I am pleased to advise that AACL and Macro Funds have successfully completed the 2009 capital raising program by securing over \$80 million for the 2009 season crop plantings.

This year the various Grain Co-Production Projects will be contracting approximately 250 grain producers across Australia, growing wheat, barley and canola.

We are also pleased to announce that AACL has entered into a grain purchase agreement with Grain Pool Pty Ltd. Grain Pool is one of the largest and oldest multi-grain marketing authorities in Australia, annually selling on average more than three million tonnes of grain throughout the world.

Under the arrangement, Grain Pool will make a \$30 million pre-payment on an amount of grain it has pre-purchased from AACL, out of an expected total crop valued at approximately \$150 million. These funds will be utilised by AACL, in conjunction with the capital invested by investors, to contract farmers to grow crops.

AACL's objectives for marketing the grain on behalf of investors and farmers remain unchanged. The price of the pre-purchased grain will be set during the season by the AACL Price Management team in accordance with AACL's normal marketing mandate.

The grain purchase agreement does not impact on AACL's ability to sell grain to multiple buyers, and AACL will be seeking to achieve the best price possible for all grain sales during the season in line with the charter to maximise returns to investors and farmers.

We believe that the grain purchase payment facility has the potential to be utilised in conjunction with the normal investor capital raises each year for Grain Co-Production.

The grain purchase agreement strengthens and deepens the existing relationship between the two Western Australian based companies, with AACL already a major customer of Grain Pool.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on (08) 9217 3100 or [robert.melville@macrofunds.com.au](mailto:robert.melville@macrofunds.com.au) should you have any questions.

Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R Melville', is positioned above the typed name.

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