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Dear Mr and Mrs Kiely

I enjoyed meeting you again on 10 February 2015 to discuss opportunities for farmers and land managers under the Australian Government's Emissions Reduction Fund (ERF).

The ERF embodies the principles of lowest-cost, real emissions reductions, and streamlined administration. It provides the impetus for businesses and the community to improve practices, invest in new technologies, and reduce our emissions. The ERF supports Australian businesses and communities to enjoy the benefits of economic growth, increased productivity and a cleaner environment.

As you know, reducing emissions and sequestering carbon in agricultural lands is an important component of the ERF. The ERF builds on the Carbon Farming Initiative, and the Government is continuing work on new methods that will help broaden the opportunities for land managers to participate.

I would like to thank you for your ongoing leadership in carbon farming, and sustained engagement in the Government's work to take action on climate change. I would particularly like to acknowledge the breadth and depth of your contributions, including development of new methods to reduce emissions, education and awareness-raising, and helping farmers get projects on the ground under way.

I look forward to continuing to work with you to enable land managers to participate in the Emissions Reduction Fund.

Yours sincerely

Greg Hunt