

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT
UFU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2015**

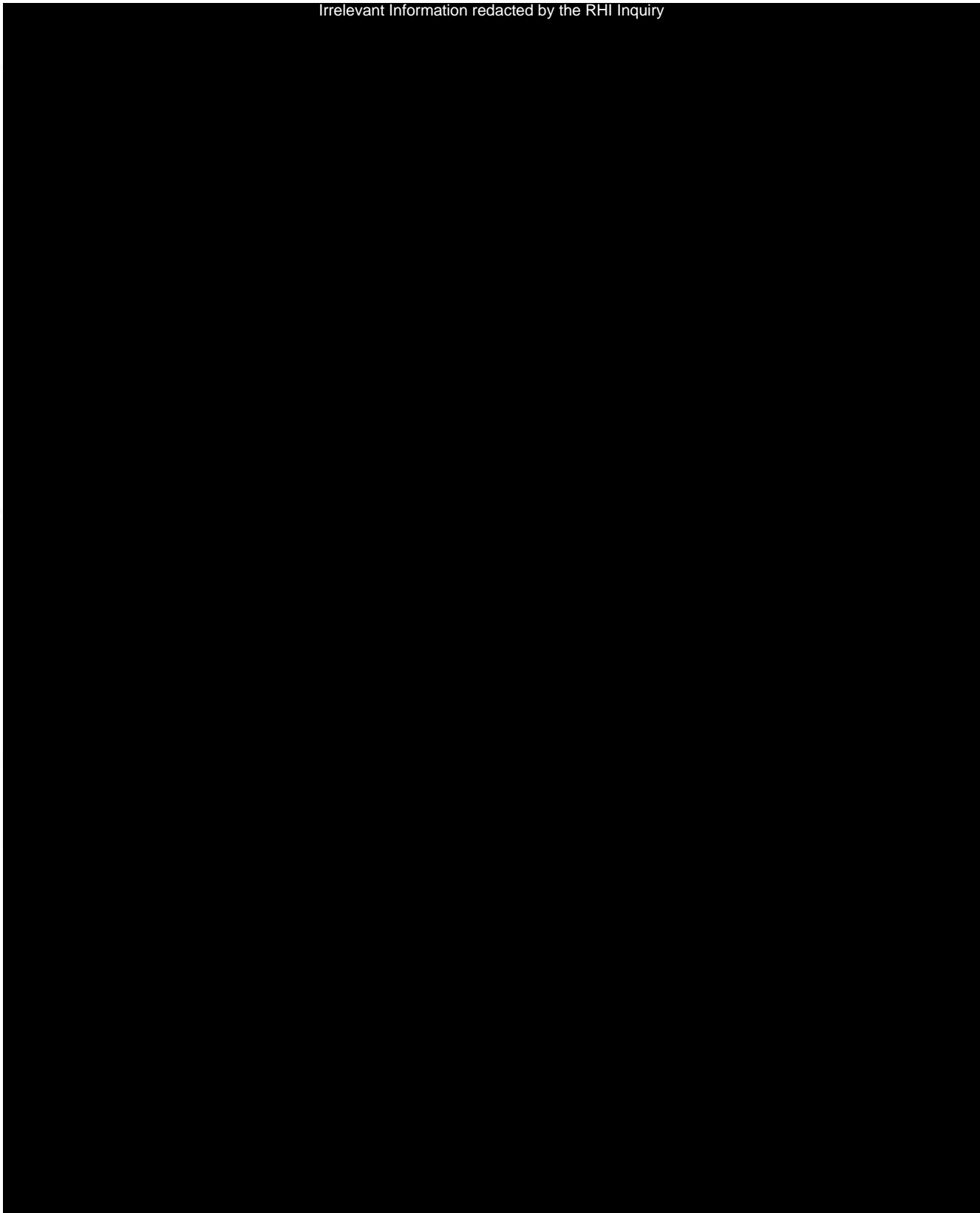
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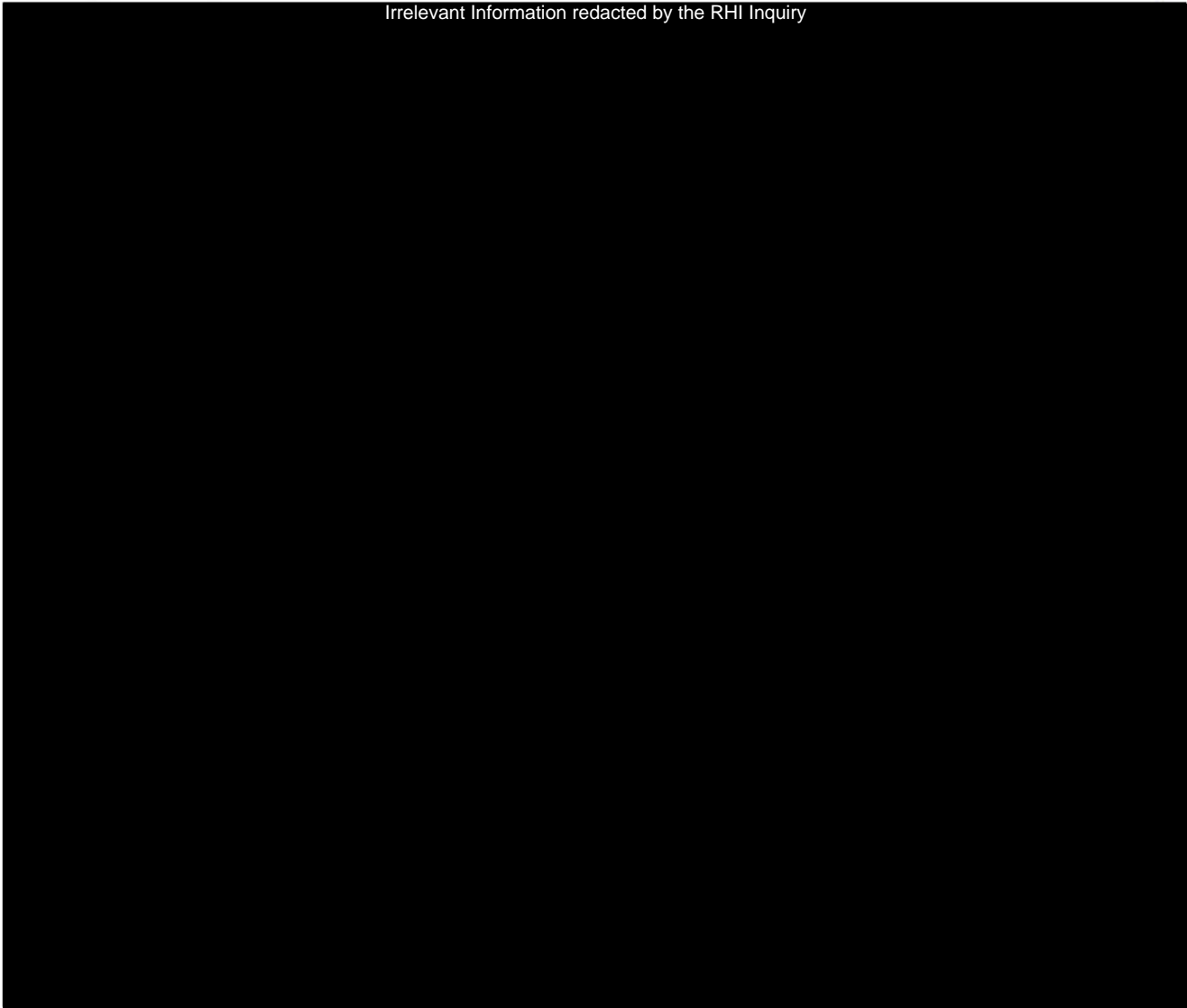
Our focus in the four weeks since our last meeting has been very clearly on the continuing financial difficulties facing our farming industry in general.

STATE OF AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY

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SECTORAL ISSUES

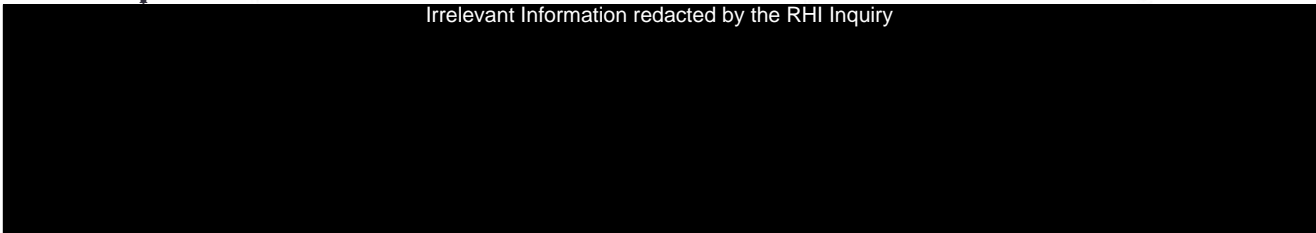
• **Pigs**

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• **Beef/Sheep**

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- **Cereals**

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CAP

- **2015 Basic Payment Scheme (BPS)**

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- **Scottish Position on Redistribution of UK's CAP Direct Support**

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- **Future CAP**

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- **Farm Business Improvement Scheme**

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- **Cross Compliance**

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- **NIEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

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ANIMAL HEALTH

- **Brucellosis**

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**ENVIRONMENT**

- **Possible Independent Environment Protection Agency (EPA)**

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- **GM Crop Cultivation Ban in Northern Ireland**

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- **All-Ireland Pollinator Plan**

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**RENEWABLES**

- **Future of ROCs**

- DETI recently announced that ROC payment will continue for non-wind small scale renewables until 1 April 2017 and will be accompanied by a 12 month period and this is welcomed clarification.
- However, DETI are now proposing to align the ROCs payments for onshore wind renewables with that recently announced by DECC in GB to bring them to an early closure in 2016 but with

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grace periods for specific projects and the Union are trying to ensure that everyone who has already invested in these renewables does not lose out.

NORTH AMERICAN/EU AGRICULTURAL POLICY CONGRESS

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UFU BOARD ISSUE

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