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Grains Council urging growers to vote

The Grains Council of Australia is urging all grain growers to vote at the upcoming AWB Limited A-class shareholder meeting on Wednesday 3 September, following the adjournment of the Extraordinary General Meeting in Melbourne last week.

Grains Council of Australia Chairman, Murray Jones, said the reform plan had 74.7 percent support of A-class votes cast prior to the meeting – just short of the 75 percent needed for change to occur.

“Postal and proxy voting has been extended until 2pm Monday 1 September and I encourage all grain growers to participate.

“We need to end this industry uncertainty prior to harvest to ensure that there are a number of commercially strong companies operating in this new marketing environment.

“The current dual-share structure is not sustainable in the long term as it will undercut AWB's ability to compete in the marketplace.

“For grain growers to get the best deal for their wheat, there needs to be a number of robust companies competing on a level playing field,” Mr Jones said.

Growers can lodge postal votes or appoint proxies for the A class meeting until 2pm Monday 1 September.

How to vote:

Online: Growers can vote online at www.awb.com.au

Fax: Growers can fax their voting papers to 1800 800 053

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