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Hi Tim

I wanted to acknowledge the work that the MIA has done to develop the protocol for meat processing plants. It is an impressive piece of work, and shows real leadership in balancing the importance of keeping the primary industries operating with the serious risk of Covid-19 transmission.

As we have been discussing, that protocol is the standard against which we are verifying that the meat industry has robust plans to operate safely.

Your continued support in ensuring the standard is properly applied, understanding that essential production is not operating at the same output as previously, will be important for New Zealand and the industry.

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