



***Investigation into the establishment of infrastructure regarding supply of standardised standards used for the calibration of laboratory equipment in the local dairy industry.***

**(PRJ-0175-2017)**

**DAIRY STANDARD AGENCY**

**Year 2017 (January 2017 till December 2017)**

**Project goals**

**Goal 1 - Completion of the investigation into the establishment of infrastructure regarding supply of standardized standards used for the calibration of laboratory equipment in the local dairy industry and reporting to Milk SA via the Regulations and Standards Project of Milk SA**

***Achievements***

Following the first industry meeting held on 19 September 2017 in the Western Cape and the Technical Work Group established to assist in the development of a national survey as well as a strategic approach for the development of an independent infrastructure to supply the needs of the South African dairy industry, the Technical Work Group held its meeting on 3 November 2017. 10 Industry completed surveys were received from major roleplayers and processed for further discussion during the first quarter of 2018. Data obtained from the survey will be used to complete the strategy and business plan to Milk SA for consideration during the first quarter of 2018.

Limited funds were utilised during the initial investigation into the establishment phase of the project. It is the view of the DSA that funds not utilised during 2017 be reallocated to this project to allow for the continuation and completion of this important work as a collective issue of the organised dairy industry.

***Non-achievements / underperformance***

Project activities and final report could not be delivered by end 2017

***Reasons for non-achievements / underperformance***

The overwhelming positive response by industry for establishment of infrastructure regarding supply of standardized standards used for the calibration of laboratory equipment in the local dairy industry prompted the investigation to move forward with a more comprehensive project proposal to Milk SA. Due to the extent and nature of the investigation the established Technical Working Group could not complete its work towards end 2017.

***Planned remedies for non-achievements / underperformance***

The work of the Technical Working Group is scheduled to continue in 2018 with the first formal meeting taking place on 20 March 2018,

followed by a formal progress report and project business plan to the DSA Board and Milk SA for consideration in April 2018.

## Income and expenditure statement

Income and expenditure statement	<a href="#">CORFIN078 Std Quaterly Report - Project Advances - PRJ 0175 Standardization of Standards - December 2017.xlsx</a>
Unnecessary spending during period	No

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## Additional documentation

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## Statement

Levy funds were applied only for the purposes stated in the contract	Yes
Levy funds were applied in an appropriate and accountable manner	Yes
Sufficient management and internal control systems were in place to adequately control the project and accurately account for the project expenditure	Yes
The information provided in the report is correct	Yes