

Agricultural Competitiveness White Paper – Submission IP43-02

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Agricultural Industry Visa Limitations

417 Visa works well but draw back is employee can only retain employee for 6 months

Employer trains the employee up - employer wants to keep employee - employee wants to stay - but would be in breach of Visa conditions

Duration of Visa needs to be extended beyond 6 months

457 Visa does not give consideration for farm hands

Review of competencies of farm hand skills to be considered as skilled