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The Australian Government Franchising Code Reviewers want to hear from new car, truck, motorcycle, farm machinery and service/repair franchise dealer business via a short survey.

Members of the VACC Victorian Automobile Dealers Association, Farm and Industrial Machinery Dealers Association (FIMDA), Motorcycle Industry Division (MID), Commercial Vehicle Industry Association (CVIA) and service and repair businesses that are working under a franchisee-franchisor arrangement were advised of VACC's national body, the Motor Trades Association of Australia (MTAA), submission to the Australian Government's 2023 Franchising Code Review (the review).

You can see the MTAA submission here.

What were the key elements of the MTAA submission?

A key part of the submission was to seek the inclusion of VADA, FIMDA, MID, CVIA and service and repair franchise businesses in the full suite of protections afforded to franchisees under the *Franchising Code 2014 (Cth)*.

Now the government wants to hear your story, the good and the bad, via your participation in a short survey. The survey is around 14 questions. The results will be of great benefit to our sector and will help influence franchising law for the future.

The Franchise Secretariat advises that respondents are asked not to include personal or identifying information about themselves or the franchisor in the survey responses.

About the survey

The Australian Government Franchise Review Secretariat is seeking more information from franchisees with regards to:

- Your relationship with your franchisor.
- Your view on the effectiveness of the Franchising Code.
- How much you actually know about franchising.
- How or if you were provided with Disclosure Documents and what they involved.
- How you see franchisee-franchisor dispute resolution procedures and availability.
- Your view on regulation of the franchise sector.

Take the survey by clicking on this link

A word from the chairs of FIMDA, MID and CVIA

The Chairs of FIMDA, CVIA and MID strongly encourage your franchise business to participate in the survey and encourage you to supply your response before 20 October 2023.

Help VACC continue the great momentum it has built on behalf of our franchisee sectors.

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