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SunRice operations remain open despite floods

Leading branded rice foods company SunRice today moved to reassure customers and suppliers that the flooding in the Riverina region of NSW had so far only had a limited impact on its operations.

CEO Rob Gordon said that despite the heavy toll of the floods on homes, farms and businesses across the region, all SunRice sites were operational.

“While we are suffering some logistical issues, our employees are working tremendously hard to ensure we continue to fulfil our orders and supply our global markets,” he said.

Mr Gordon said just one rice receival depot had been impacted by floodwaters, in Yenda earlier this week. However he acknowledged that many SunRice growers and staff continued to be personally affected by the rising waters.

“We are aware that for some people in our community, the floods have been devastating, impacting both property and farmland,” he said.

“However, in terms of the coming rice harvest, we expect the vast majority of the Riverina rice crop to be largely unaffected. The harvest is still expected to be approximately 900,000 tonnes.

“We are closely monitoring the situation and expect to have a clearer picture once the flood threat has eased and farmers are able to access their properties.

“There is tremendous community spirit in the Riverina and like many other businesses in the region, we are doing all we can to support our growers, staff and the broader community,” said Mr Gordon.

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About SunRice

Ricegrowers Limited, trading as SunRice, is Australia’s leading branded rice food company, with products marketed in close to 60 countries around the globe. SunRice has annual sales of approximately AUD800 million. Information – www.sunrice.com.au