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Australian Grape & Wine welcomes interim report into the wine sector

Australian Grape and Wine Inc (Australian Grape & Wine) welcomes the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (ACCC) interim report into Australia's wine sector, released today.

'The release of this interim report is an important milestone in the ACCC's process of taking a deep and comprehensive look at the Australian wine sector' said Tony Battaglione, Chief Executive of Australian Grape & Wine.

'We appreciate the ACCC's efforts to engage closely with Australian Grape & Wine and our members, and we look forward to continuing this collaborative approach'.

The interim report covers a broad range of issues relating to the dynamics between winegrape growers and winemakers in Australia, and presents a set of draft findings and recommendations for consideration by the sector. It offers an opportunity for anyone interested in the Australian wine sector to have their say on its future.

'Australian Grape & Wine looks forward to reading this interim report in detail and working with the ACCC to ensure its final report reflects the needs of Australia's winegrape growers and winemakers' said Mr Battaglione.

'Australia's wine sector is now in a relatively strong position. At the same time, any opportunity to further strengthen commercial relationships in the Australian wine sector is positive. We encourage winegrape growers and winemakers to make sure their views are taken into account in the process'.

The interim report can be found [here](#) and the ACCC will be accepting submissions until Friday 28 June 2019.

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