

Ballance Agri-Nutrients – ClearView PGP Quarterly Report Summary Report for Quarter ended 30 June 2012:

The fourth quarter of the ClearView PGP programme in 2011-12 has continued to focus on the implementation of contracts and operational activities. Significant investments have been contracted primarily with AgResearch and plans to contract other Crown Research Institutes(CRI) are underway.

A significant proportion of the PGP investment is scheduled over the first two years of the programme and the focus is ensuring it establishes the groundwork to deliver the programmes outcomes.

Ballance successfully showcased the programme to the public at the 2012 Mystery Creek fielddays.

Ballance continued to collaborate with the DairyNZ, FarmIQ and New Zealand Merino PGP programmes to ensure synergies.

This quarter saw a review of extension capability focusing on adopting best practice training methods, undertaking a customer extension survey and develop co-ordinated PGP partner extension plans including the use of partner demonstration farms.