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To Whom It May Concern: **John Rasic**

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CMV Farms commenced our irrigated farming enterprise in 1980 and now owns and operates almond and pistachio orchards and vineyards in South Australia and Victoria. The total area under irrigation and permanent horticulture of in excess of 1100 hectares. John Rasic has performed all of the soil survey work for CMV Farms over the last 17 years.

John has always provided us with highly detailed and accurate soil survey maps and data which have been critical when making decisions regarding:

- Site evaluation pre possible purchase
- Pre planting evaluation of site enabling the matching of suitable rootstock/varieties to specific locations
- Identify potential problem areas
- Providing extremely detailed but practical maps and reports which include pre plant soil amelioration.
- Practical advice and recommendations on how best to reduce any negative effects farming more fragile soils.

Apart from Johns technical skill and soil knowledge John Rasic is a passionate and fearlessly honest person. Having worked in the field with John I quickly realised that not only is John a highly intelligent individual but is also extremely diligent, hard working and honest in providing information regarding to the soil make up. John has an engaging personality with a strong character.

I would be willing to discuss further John's character and skill level with any person interested in employing or using John's expertise.
Please feel free to call 0419 355407

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