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PRESS RELEASE

Bushfire Relief Update – 11th February

Further to Woolworths Limited's initial \$1 million donation to the Australian Red Cross, the following examples highlight the immediate practical support provided so far by our stores:

- 10,000 hairbrushes
- 100 pallets of toilet paper
- Hundreds of empty boxes to relief centres to enable families to store belongings
- Hundreds of exercise books for children to use in temporary schoolrooms
- Set-up of a temporary house for foster children including appliances, TV and a full grocery shop
- \$12,000 of stock provided by Safeway Wallan to the Wallan Relief Centre and local CFA crews
- \$10,000 of stock provided by Safeway Seymour to the Yea Relief Centre
- \$10,000 of stock provided by Safeway Traralgon to local Relief Centres
- \$5000 of stock provided by Safeway Benalla to Beechworth area relief teams
- A refrigerated truck to the Yea Relief Centre with ice, milk and ice-cream for kids
- Extensive provision of food, water, clothing, personal hygiene and toiletries given to relief centres and emergency services by dozens of other stores in affected areas

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- A special shipment of eye solution is being arranged for fire crews suffering smoke irritation
- Collection tins now available in all stores nationally with donations going to the Australian Red Cross

As of this morning, eleven staff members have lost their homes, approximately 60 are volunteering with emergency crews but we are happy to report that all staff are now accounted for.

Woolworths would like to acknowledge the efforts of the hundreds of store staff who are either directly volunteering or helping with the relief process.

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