

Position Description

Date of Creation:	14/02/2019
Position Title:	Rural Customer Manager
Division:	Sales
Team:	Sales
Location:	Various - As assigned by RMA
Reports To Position:	Regional Manager Agribusiness

Organisational & Position Overview

The future for agriculture is bright. Our vision is to provide exceptional financial services, knowledge and leadership for Australian Farmers to grow.

Rural Bank is proudly part of the Bendigo and Adelaide Bank group, offering a specialist value proposition to Australian Farmers.

We are a specialist rural lender who understands the cycles in agriculture, assisting farmers to obtain appropriate finance to grow their farming business. We offer relevant industry insights to assist in making informed business decisions. We also offer our customers the opportunity to support the development of regional communities through our partnerships and initiatives

Division or department name

The objective of the sales department is to be a specialist rural lender who understands the cycles in agriculture, and to be able to obtain appropriate finance to grow farming businesses (specifically those who are within our target markets). It is also the aim of the sales department to be able to obtain relevant industry insights that assist our customers to make informed business decisions. The sales department support the development of regional communities through our partnerships and initiatives.

Part A: Job Specification

Job Purpose

This position of Rural Customer Manager (RCM) develops, fosters and grows relationships with new and existing agribusiness customers predominately in the Small Farm Segment, and provides quality banking services to this customer base to help them grow their agricultural businesses.

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The RCM is required to maintain excellent customer-service delivery with existing and new customers. They are responsible for developing and delivering win-win solutions that meet the customer's needs, objectives and interests, as well as the Bank's ongoing growth targets.

The RCM is expected to play a key role in maintaining a partnership between staff in the Rural Business and those who work in the Bendigo Retail and Community Bank branches so that the agribusiness specialisation is understood and referral opportunities are capitalised on.

Key result area	Responsibility	Measurement
Professional Conduct and Performance	 Role models behaviour across peer group and the organisation consistent with the Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Values of Teamwork, Integrity, Performance, Engagement, Leadership and Passion Demonstrates competencies agreed and discussed as part of the performance review process, including but not limited to: Collaboration Problem Solving Quality Focus Commitment to Learning Business Acumen Building Relationships Customer Focus Planning and Organising Sales Ability Participate in development activities to build personal capability As relevant - monitor, train and follow up on work undertaken by indirect report/s to help them better service 	Stakeholder, peer and indirect report feedback Customer expectations consistently met or exceeded Evidence of consistency and frequency in agreed behaviours demonstrated Completion of assigned training (eg. online).
Execution of strategy	 customers Increase market share focusing on target markets at an acceptable ROE. Proactively contribute to the successful delivery of key initiatives within any programs of work supported by the Executive 	Increase in number of customers in Target Markets at an acceptable ROE. Active participation and engagement with all relevant key initiatives supported by the Executive
Risk and Compliance	 Ensure all personal mandatory risk training is completed within 6 months of due date. Proactively monitor processes to ensure risks loss events or incidents of non-compliance are identified, managed and escalated on a timely basis Operate within approved limits (with no breaches of those limits) without authorisation from the appropriate oversight body, for the policies of: 	Measured via exception reporting Measured via participation in WCGW and in the timeliness of event/breach reporting Compliance with WHS policies and standards; adherence to Incident, Near Miss & Hazard Reporting Guidelines.

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Key result area	Responsibility	Measurement
	 Delegated Lending Authority Consecutive Annual Leave Group Authorities Register Corporate Card Commitment to work, health and safety ie. take reasonable care for own health and safety; take reasonable care that acts or admissions do not adversely affect the Health and Safety of self/others Compliance with all Bank policies 	
Loan origination & Credit management	Prepare concise, accurate and timely loan proposalsEnsure quality	Stakeholder, peer and indirect report feedback Customer expectations consistently met or
Financial Performance	 Proactively identify business opportunities and develop relationship with potential customers Achieve individual and team sales targets Report on your loan portfolio against financial and volume targets Work to grow customer base and meet ongoing financial targets Contribution to the following: Return on Prudential Capital =or> 15%. Cost to Income ratio =or< 31% Net Profit after tax =or> \$71.9M. 	exceededAs per Key Performance Indicators (detailed in monthly summary):Net Interest Income (Target Met/Not Met)Establishment Fees (\$)Loan Portfolio GrowthBook Growth (\$)Activity TargetsNew Settlements (\$)
Collateral Business	Identify and refer collateral business to Banking and Referral partners as appropriate	Referral Partnerships/Business Opportunity to be effectively and efficiently maximised Where applicable, as detailed in the monthly KPI summary
Stakeholder and Associated Business Relations	 Build and maintain strong customer relationships Consistently delivers on the Bank's promise to customers by meeting their needs and/or matching appropriate products to their needs. Draw on financial and agricultural knowledge to offer customers appropriate and relevant solutions to help grow their business Actively participate in key initiatives that build profile across industry groups and intermediaries to build stronger brand presence in the local community 	Consistently deliver on agreed number of customer, prospect and rainmaker visits per week Individual contribution and involvement with marketing events
Partnership	 Maintain close relationships with key Bendigo staff including Retail Sales, Operations, and Community Banks in addition to local Bendigo Sales 	BEN and Community Bank Branch visitations Stakeholder feedback.



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	 leadership including Business Banking Leads, Area Managers and Regional Managers Work closely with BEN Retail Branch staff to ensure the agribusiness specialisation is understood by branch staff Build a referral network within the BEN branch network ensuring all opportunities for agribusiness growth are maintained. Understand the relationship with the Banks other referral Partners and their key stakeholders. Regularly promote the Bank and its Partners to optimise its market profile and growth prospects 	Individual contribution to Community organisations / events.		
Special Requirements:				

• Intrastate travel within assigned territory and as required by the business. Limited interstate travel may be required by the business for this role.

Person Specification

Skills, knowledge and abilities:

- Relationship building and management skills
- Business development, prospecting and sales
- Able to understand farmers and their business, attitudes and needs, and respond accordingly to deliver sales objectives
- Able to build rapport and collaborative relationships with colleagues and customers
- Able to network effectively and maintain good professional working relationships with a range of different stakeholders
- Financially savvy (preferred)

Experience required:

- Experience working in a commerce, finance or banking environment (rural banking preferred)
- Banking knowledge (including lending, credit and deposit areas)
- Minimum 2-4 years' experience working as a banking relationship assistant or manager (preferred)
- Solid, hands-on experience working in agriculture or agribusiness (preferred)
- Understanding of agriculture and farming, including season conditions and relevant market conditions (preferred)

Minimum qualifications and assessments:

- Tertiary qualification in Agricultural Science or Agribusiness (preferred)
- Formal qualification in an economic or financial discipline (desired)
- Business qualifications (desired)
- Police check
- Driver's licence

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