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Ed Whiting, owner of Airport Farm, Taranaki, New Zealand just completed his new free range 22,080 m² boiler chicken farm. All eight houses equipped with a DACS climate solution.

One option stood out

–We looked at many climate system for broiler chickens sheds in the world but we had one option that stood out heads and shoulders above all the others. Our main requirements were for a system that could work for both free-range and closed shed with high humidity conditions. We have had our DACS system now running for 14 months and we are very impressed and happy. We have the tools to make the climate within the shed what we want says Ed.

95% outside humidity

-It does not get freezing cold, but with plenty of rain (2000-2500mm annually), strong winds and high humidity most of the year I would have expected issues but the system run flawlessly. Even with 95% outside humidity we are able to maintain any humidity inside the shed (e.g. 55%) and have a perfect even temperature at all times across the whole of the shed. Litter is always dry and pad burn scores always under 10!

Our staff find it easy

—The efficiency of the DACS system is evident with lower gas and electricity costs per square meter than a negative style vacuum ventilated shed. When in free range mode and the pop holes open we are able to maintain the climate within the shed easily. Our bird welfare overall is good with low Ammonia and CO₂ levels at all times. Our staff find it easy to operate and just love working in a shed that is run by a DACS system.

In a simple sentence

–Overall as a farm owner I like DACS, our staff like DACS, the chickens like DACS and so does the bank manager. In a simple sentence, DACS is the best investment we have made out of the whole project concludes Ed Whiting.

