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Dear Sir/Madam

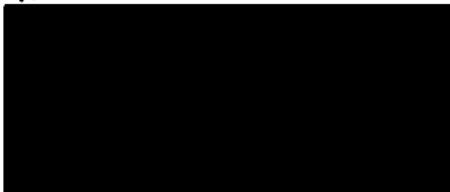
Application A1132 – Broaden Definition of Steviol Glycosides (Intense Sweetener) – Call for submissions

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this application. The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) has the following comments to make.

MPI supports Option 1, to prepare draft variations to Standard 1.3.1 and Schedule 3 to permit a broadening of the definition of steviol glycosides for use as an intense sweetener. MPI agrees that this is technologically justified and that it raises no public health or safety concerns.

Yours sincerely,

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