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To Whom It May Concern,

I sincerely hope that FSANZ reject proposal A1092 on the following grounds:

- Irradiation of the proposed foods would cause significant detriment to the nutritional value of the produce
- Irradiation poses safety concerns to human health with irradiated pet food already being banned in Australia due to animal fatalities
- The nutritional and safety aspects of irradiated foods require much more extensive research to identify any further concerns
- Labelling requirements are already weak when it comes to food. How are consumers meant to make a truly informed decision about what they are eating when labelling standards are already so poor
- No other countries (or states) expressly require the irradiation of apples, apricots, cherries, nectarines, peaches, plums, honeydew, rockmelon, strawberries, table grapes, zucchini and squash, so approval of A1092 cannot be claimed to be a mechanism for harmonization of trade regulations
- The need for irradiated foods has not yet been established
- If nutritional value is compromised in already compromised foods due to commercial agriculture, one could only expect a sick nation to become sicker

Have a wonderful day.

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