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**SUBMISSION ON PROPOSAL P1022 -
Primary Production & Processing Requirements for Raw Milk Products**

The Department of Health Western Australia (DOHWA) would like to thank Food Standards Australia New Zealand for the opportunity to comment on Proposal P1022 Primary Production & Processing Standard for Raw Milk Products.

DOHWA supports the draft variations to standards 4.2.4 – Primary Production and Processing Standard for Dairy Products, 4.2.4A – Primary Production and Processing Standard for Specific Cheeses and 1.6.1 – Microbiological Limits that would permit raw milk products where it can be demonstrated:

- that the intrinsic physico-chemical characteristics of the raw milk product do not support the growth of pathogens, and
- there is no net increase in pathogen levels during processing.

DOHWA also supports guidance materials for this variation.

This submission has been prepared by the Department of Health Western Australia, Environmental Health Directorate.

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Yours sincerely

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