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As a NZ citizen I hereby submit my public comment on the proposal shown in the Subject of this email as follows:

There is much supporting information of the health benefits of low THC hemp as a high-quality food. The seeds contain the most balanced and richest natural single source of essential oils for human consumption. The oil has high quantities (about 80%) of essential fatty acids (EFAs): linoleic acid, omega-6 (LA, 55%), alpha-linolenic acid, omega-3 (ALA, 22%), in addition to gamma-linolenic acid, omega-6 (GLA, 1–4%) and stearidonic acid, omega-3 (SDA, 0–2%). Low THC hemp has a high, high-quality protein content; about 25%. The hemp fiber is very beneficial for colon health.

A small amount of negative research exists around polyunsaturated oils (despite the near-universal promotion of them) but such research is usually based on poor quality, processed and oxidised oils, which is a distant aberration of their natural health-giving state.

I therefore strongly support any development and use of low THC hemp as a high-quality food - both the seeds and the oil. Please approve this application.

Unfortunately I will not be able to attend any meetings or other events relating to this proposal.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Leo Adler
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