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Food Standards Australia New Zealand

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Via email: submissions@foodstandards.gov.au.

Dear Food Standards Australia New Zealand,

Submission – Quillaia Extract A1075

The Australian Beverages Council (the Beverages Council) is the peak body representing the \$7 billion non-alcoholic beverage industry. The Beverages Council provides a single, united industry voice to a range of stakeholders including government, non-government organisations, media and general public.

Membership of the Beverages Council comprises over 95% of the non-alcoholic industry's production volume, and is comprised of multi-national companies and small and medium businesses.

Beverages Council supports Application 1075 – Quillaia Extract (Quillaja extract) as a Food Additive (Emulsifier): to include Quillaja extract as a food additive (foaming agent) in semi-frozen carbonated and non-carbonated beverages. The Beverages Council has consulted its membership most likely to be impacted by these proposed changes, and submit that application provides a positive opportunity for members. Permissions related to this additive also result in expanded product choice for consumers.



We thank FSANZ for the opportunity to provide this submission. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this correspondence in more detail I invite you to contact the office directly on 02 9662 2844 or info@australianbeverages.org.

Yours sincerely,



Health and Regulatory Affairs Manager

