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I call on FSANZ to reject the proposal to irradiate fresh fruits and vegetables for the following reasons:

- I do not believe that the safety and the nutritional quality of foods that are irradiated have been scientifically established: vitamins and minerals are not the only elements present in fresh produce
- There do not seem to be cost benefit analysis of all the alternatives
- The nuclear industry which would be needed to support this procedure has inherent safety issues for workers and community in which they are located
- There seems to be no detail as to how local produce will be impacted
- While I note that labelling is mentioned there is no detail as to how it will give consumers full, honest and clear information prominently displayed
- I note that in the proposal opposition to irradiation is minimised. There has been in the past strong opposition and public opinion should be facilitated. If not, public confidence in the food industry will be eroded

I respectfully submit my opposition to this proposal