

## **Proposal P1054**

### **Pure and highly concentrated caffeine products – Assessment of the Approved Variation**

**Call for Submissions (July 2020)**

#### **Submission**

NSW appreciates the opportunity to comment on Proposal 1054 – Pure and highly concentrated caffeine products – Assessment of the Approved Variation (P 1054).

NSW fully supports Option 3 provided in the consultation paper as it is important to address any risks and ambiguities in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code (the Code) concerning added caffeine and its use in foods, whilst maintaining a clear prohibition on sale and supply of pure and highly concentrated caffeine as a food for retail sale.

NSW understands, under Option 3, that FSANZ commits to prepare a new proposal that considers the risk posed by caffeine in the wider food supply before 12 December 2020. This is welcomed and moves towards providing the community, industry and regulators with certainty on the use of caffeine in foods. NSW suggests this proposal should consider risks posed by caffeine to all consumers, not just sensitive sub-populations.

#### **ENDS**

**The views expressed in this submission may or may not accord with those of other NSW Government agencies. The NSW Food Authority has a policy which encourages the full range of NSW agency views to be submitted during the standards development stages before final assessment. Other relevant NSW Government agencies are aware of and agree with this policy.**