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## SUBMISSION

Attention: **Project Manager – Application A1069**

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Food Standards Australia New Zealand  
Box 7186,  
Canberra BC,  
ACT, Australia, 2610.

### **Re: Irradiation of Tomatoes and Capsicums – Call for Submissions**

FTA Australia has reviewed this [Application](#) and endorses the following comments of the Technical Sub Committee:

The Committee agreed with Option 1 – to prepare a draft variation to Standard 1.5.3 with the following comments:

1. Although Standard 1.5.3, Clause 6 (3) requires adjacent labelling of the irradiation treatment for loose or unpacked commodity, there is little or no observed adherence or enforcement to this requirement in the market place, as per Tropical Fruits that are permitted to be irradiated. Has FSANZ conducted market surveys to establish the relevance of this Clause?
2. The Committee has the general view that the low levels of radiation proposed are acceptable and does not pose any health risks.

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We would appreciate being maintained on the circulation list for any changes in this matter and to receiving notification of the next step concerning this [Application](#).

Yours sincerely,

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PRESIDENT – FTA AUSTRALIA