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SUBMISSION :

Reference APPLICATION A1092 : Irradiation of Specific Fruits and Vegetables :

Application to FSANZ to amend the Food Standards Code 1.5.3 to include apples; apricots; cherries; honeydew melons; nectarines; peaches; plums; rockmelons; scallopini, strawberries; table grapes & zucchini (courgette) .

We are writing to you to advise that we fully support the application submitted by Qld DAFF, for the amendment of the Food Standards Code 1.5.3 to include apples; apricots; cherries; honeydew melons; nectarines; peaches; plums; rockmelons; scallopini , strawberries; table grapes & zucchini (courgette), on the approvals list for the use of irradiation as a pest disinfestation treatment for a phytosanitary purpose.

We believe these approvals will allow all producers, exporters and supply chain operatives enhanced access to Australian domestic markets under the ICA-55 protocol, as well as export markets, and that irradiation provides to them all an efficacious and sustainable additional post - harvest disinfestation option.

Yours Sincerely

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