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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 .

This will give better access to markets that we are currently fumigating with methyl Bromide As the treatment involves holding the fruit at 15 degrees and charging with bromide .With irradiation we can cool chain manage and harvest the fruit ripe as currently we harvest the fruit green to handle the process. This can only be better for the consumer to eat ripe tasty strawberries.

Yours Sincerely



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