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Dear Sir/Madam

Application A1160 – Aspergillopepsin I from *Trichoderma reesei* as processing aid (enzyme) – Call for submissions

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this application. The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) has the following comments to make;

MPI supports amending the table to subsection S18- 9(3) in Schedule 18 to insert a new entry to permit the use of Aspergillopepsin I from a genetically modified strain of *Trichoderma reesei* as a processing aid (enzyme), for use in the manufacture of potable alcohol and of animal and vegetable protein products. We note that FSANZ has concluded that there are no public health and safety issues associated with using this enzyme.

