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SUBMISSION

Attention: **Manager P274**
Food Standards Australia New Zealand
Box 7186,
Canberra BC,
ACT, Australia, 2610.

Re: Minimum Age Labelling of Infant Foods

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

The Committee reviewed this document and after a long discussion it agreed with Option 1 – to reject this Proposal and maintain the *Status Quo* in Standard 2.9.2, of “from 4 months” due to the following rationale:

1. The terms “around 6 months” and “not less than 4 months” are vague, undefinable and certainly do not clarify the stated objective of this Proposal.
2. A Standard should only use definite terms that are neither ambiguous nor require complex interpretation.
3. The question is begged, that on careful investigation, what is the Proposal attempting to achieve?
4. There appeared to be inconclusive or convincing evidence to make any change.

If there are any queries regarding this submission, please contact the Technical Secretary, [REDACTED]
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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 [Proposal](#).

Yours sincerely,

Del Teasdale
PRESIDENT – FTA AUSTRALIA

