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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 21 May 2015 2:25 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: NBTs [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Agreed- thanks for the great feedback - I will definitely make sure this is not part of any talk under the FSANZ heading.. Don't worry!! I just wanted to make sure I hadn't missed anything before I passed comment

Kind Regards
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

On 21 May 2015, at 2:17 pm, [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

Ummmm – indeed those words are a bit wide of the mark as far as FSANZ is concerned. In some respects FSANZ hasn't even started on the 'process'. Yes, we have had two workshops(which considered nothing more than the 'science' of the new techniques) but as far as even making a decision about where to go next, there has been no move. The second sentence re non-GM and Novel Foods is gobbledygook but is extremely interesting because there was a speculative, throw-away comment along these lines made during the discussions on oligo-directed mutagenesis (first workshop). However, this throw-away comment was NOT included in the workshop outcomes that were made available on the web.....so, as I say, it is very interesting that your colleague has got hold of this comment!!!!

It might transpire your colleague may be focussing more on the environmental side of things – in which case, yes, the NZ Ministry for Environment has been forced to do something as a result of the outcomes of that recent court case in NZ re ZFN-1 and TALENS. Also, the OGTR here in Australia is weighing up what to do as part of a review of their legislation – but they haven't got very far yet. Really I can't comment on behalf of either the NZ MfE or the OGTR – so you would need to ask them.

Thanks for passing on this snippet.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 21 May 2015 1:27 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: NBTs

Hi [REDACTED]

My colleague in China is presenting a talk on NBTs. Is the following statement actually true? I have no idea where he may have got this information from, have you seen it before .. I was wondering if he might have picked it up from one of yours or [REDACTED] talks? I don't think so, it doesn't make much sense to me..But I am certainly not the expert when it comes to where FSANZ currently stand regarding NBTs..

- ❑ **Australia and New Zealand** are currently nearing the end of their process . Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) indicated that products designated as non-GM will not automatically be captured by the Novel Foods regulation.

Regards

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