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Attention: **Project Manager – Application A1064**

Food Standards Australia New Zealand
Box 7186,
Canberra BC,
ACT, Australia, 2610.

Re: Food Derived from Herbicide-Tolerant Soybean Line CV127 – Assessment Report

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

The Committee agreed with Option 2 – to prepare a draft variation to Standard 1.5.2 to permit the sale and use of food derived from Herbicide-Tolerant Soybean Line CV127 within the Schedule to this Standard but offered one comment:

1. Within the supporting document to this Application, at point 4.4.5 – Acute oral toxicity study was mentioned with the comment that it was deemed unnecessary to include this study, as supplied by the Applicant, as other studies indicated it was not warranted. However the Committee considered that this study should be made available with the documents for stakeholders to review or at least provision of a summary of the results, including who, where and when the study was conducted.

It is appreciated that this study and all the above details are available from FSANZ but addition of a one page summary to the Safety Assessment document 1 would be a reasonable approach.

Provision of such data indicates an entirely open procedure and the best judges of the pertinence or otherwise of the study are the stakeholders.

Genetically Modified foods are viewed by certain parts of the population with suspicion and omitting immediate access, for whatever reason, only provides further reason for protest from groups and individuals as to the safety of these GM foods.

If there are any queries regarding this submission, please contact the Technical Secretary, Tony Zipper, Telephone (03) 9532 8213, Fax (03) 9532 8213, Mobile 0409 324 075, E-mail tzipper@dodo.com.au.

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 [Application](#).