



20 December 2012

Submission Proposal 1019 – Carbon Monoxide as a processing aid for fish

Dear Sir / Madam,

Sydney Fish Market Pty Ltd (SFM) is responding to your request for submissions on the above proposal.

SFM strongly supports the stance being proposed by FSANZ. SFM has long held the view that the use of carbon monoxide (CO) treatment of fish should not be allowed due to its role as a colour fixative and hence as an unpermitted food additive. SFM supports the concerns raised in this proposal, that this process has the ability to hide the fish age through artificially maintaining the products colour.

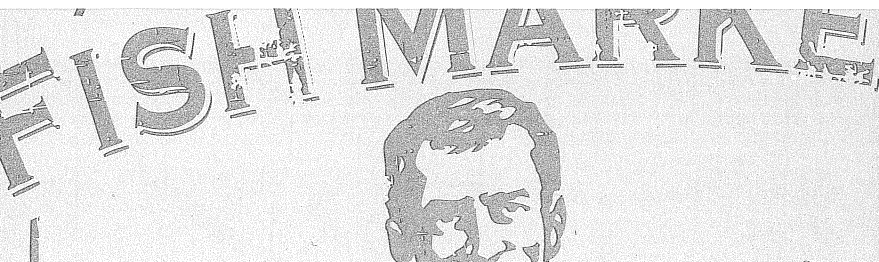
SFM implemented a company policy in 2004 whereby it refused to accept product that has been CO treated. Even as recently as 2012 SFM has had to go to the lengths of getting product tested for CO to demonstrate to suppliers that the product that were trying to sell through SFM was CO treated product.

SFM fully supports and approve of FSANZ taking this stance.

Regards,



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