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Dear FSANZ Review members,

I am deeply concerned regarding the proposals to change the Food Code such that a range of GM foodstuffs can be sold to the public without independent assessments as to their health and environmental impacts. Worse still is the fact that they will not be labelled as such, thus preventing purchasers from making informed decisions regarding the source and/or production methods of their food. The notion that Agrochemical companies can be trusted to self-assess the safety and long-term consequences of their tinkering with the genetic make-up of organisms and plants, is invalidated by studying their track record. Marketing opportunities and profit margins are the prime motivators of these companies.

FSANZ is responsible for ensuring that foodstuffs which reach the Australian market are safe and properly labelled. Allowing GM foods which have not undergone independent long-term testing and monitoring, to be sold to unwitting customers is an unconscionable and reckless policy, and one which FSANZ should avoid strenuously.

Yours sincerely,  
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