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Tēnā koutou FSANZ,

Please may we have timely answers to these questions? Until we receive them, we will need a month's time extension, so we have time to read and make an informed submission.

We require clarification to these questions -

1. Why are you not suggesting labelling all NBTs?
2. What detection methods will FSANZ use to verify exempt products?
3. What labelling information are you going to require for the products that are exempted?
4. How will FSANZ be able to ensure consumer protection and adequate information if exempt foods are not labelled?
5. How will FSANZ enforce labelling of all food created through New Biotechnologies (NBTs) for consumer information?
6. Please can you point me to the FSANZ Act where FSANZ was required to assess the need to incentivise innovation rather than public health?
7. What were the reasons the GE definitions were not “fit-for-purpose”?
8. In round 1 of P1055 a majority of submitters called for stronger definitions, labelling and no exemptions on gene edited foods. Why were these suggestions not considered in the options for submitters in P1055 2nd round?
9. What are the benefits of harmonisation with international competitors?
10. Why is harmonisation relevant to the protection of Australia and New Zealand's unique public health conditions?

We ask this under the Freedom of Information Act (AU) and the Official information Act (NZ)

Ngā mihi,

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