

The Secretary
House of Representatives Standing Committee
on Primary Industries and Regional Services
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Secretary,

Please find attached a submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Primary Industries and Regional Services inquiry into Primary Producer Access to Gene Technology.

This submission includes materials which have been published by in the following journals:

Lawson CGR (1999) Patenting genetic diversity – old rules may be restricting the exploitation of a new technology, *Journal of Law and Medicine*, 6, in press.

Lawson CGR and Pickering CM (1998) Patent laws will undermine access provisions in the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Protection Bill 1998 (Cth)*, *Environmental and Planning Law Journal*, 15, 401-409.

Lawson CGR (1998) Patenting Genes and Gene Sequences in Australia, *Journal of Law and Medicine*, 5, 364-371.

The remaining materials are from manuscripts in preparation. The Support of Dr Catherine Pickering is acknowledged for both the published materials and the materials in preparation.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

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