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**RE: FOOD STANDARDS AMENDMENT (TRUTH IN LABELLING – PALM OIL) BILL 2009**

Dear Senate Committee Hearing Members

I would like to make a submission in support of the bill, Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling – Palm Oil) Bill 2009. I feel that as a consumer I have a right to know what is being used in products that I purchase on a regular basis. I also feel that I have a right to know so I can choose products that do not contain Palm Oil. My main concern is the deforestation of rainforests and the potential extinction to plant and animal species. With the ability to choose products without Palm Oil, I am effectively aiding in reducing the impact on the environment. I am also in support of implementation of sustainable Palm Oil production in place of non-sustainable production.

I would not like to appear at the hearing.

Looking forward to hearing a positive outcome.

Kind regards

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