

Senate Community Affairs Committee

Re: Inquiry into Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling – Palm Oil) Bill 2009

As a consumer, I am in support of the proposed Bill. As stated on the Senate website, accurate labelling enables consumers to make informed choices about the food they eat. I am very concerned about the unsustainable practices of the palm oil industry, specifically with regard to orang-utan habitat. I would like to be able to avoid products containing palm oil harvested in an unsustainable and unethical manner, and to be able to give feedback to companies who use palm oil.

Transparency in food labelling is a must, and this Bill will be of great benefit to consumers, companies who want to do the right thing, and hopefully assist those working to protect orang-utans.

Regards,

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