

Dear Department of Community Affairs,

My name is Samantha Mitchell and I would like to make a submission for the Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling – Palm Oil) Bill 2009. I support the mandatory labeling of palm oil because as the facts state, 1000 orang-utans die each year from the landclearing. Who are we decide our lives as humans are more precious than that of an animal just so we can have some oil in foods which aren't necessary. If we can't get rid of the product then it should at least be labelled so people know what they are buying. I would never have bought vegetable oil or other products with palm oil in it if I had known the effect it was causing.

Thank you for taking the time to read my submission and I hope you thoughtfully consider it.

Samantha Mitchell