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Re: Docket No. 98N-1038, Irradiation in the Production, Processing and Handling of Food.

To whom it may concern,

I am writing you today to express my concern over the irradiation of food. I do not want to buy any irradiated food and I am concerned that unless this food is labeled, I may possibly purchase some. I am writing in support of the Center for Science in the Public Intrest's policy regarding the labeling of irradiated. The absence of such a label misleading because irradiated foods are changed in sensory and spoilage qualities and the foods vitamins can be destroyed. These things are not obvious or expected by consumers. I am also asking for irradiated food labeling to be maintained indefinitely with the radura symbol & statements whenever applicable. The public commen period needs to be extended so that more concerned citizens can voice their opinion.

Thank you,

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