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RE: Docket # 98N-1038
"Irradiation in the Production, processing & Handling of Food."

Dear Sir or Madam,

I want irradiated foods to be required to show prominent labeling, the use of the terms "irradiation" or "irradiated", & the use of the radura symbol.

I feel the proposed alternative terms such a "cold pasteurization" & "electronic pasteurization" are misleading & should NOT be used.

The absence of a statement would be misleading because irradiation destroys vitamins & causes changes in sensory & spoilage qualities that are not obvious or expected by the consumer.

Thank you.

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Sincerely,

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