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I feel the need for prominent labeling of the use of the terms "irradiation" or irradiated" and the use of the radura symbol.

The proposed alternative(s) terms such as "Cold pasteurization" and electronic pasteurization" are misleading and <u>should not</u> be used.

Irradiated food should be labeled as such, so individuals opposing and avoiding these types of foods will be able to do so without any confusion.

Individuals have the right to be informed

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about the processes their foods go through before, during and after they are grown.

Irradiation without disclosure is unethical and takes away a persons freedom of choice!

Your departments time and consideration into this serious matter is greatly needed.

Respectfully Yours,

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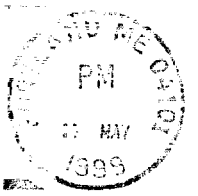

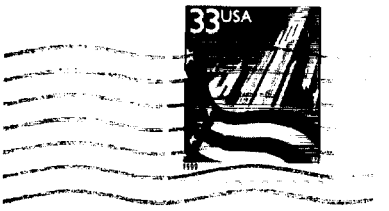

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