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Re: Docket # 98N-1038 "Irradiation in the Production, Processing and Handling of Food"

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Dear Dr. Henney,

I am very distressed. Please do not weaken or eliminate the labeling requirements of irradiated food. Any foods or food ingredients that have been treated by irradiation should be clearly labeled, easy to read and by the name of the food along with the international symbol of irradiated food (radura). If the food is not packaged a sign should be displayed next to it.

Labels should be truthful. Cold pasteurization is misleading. Pasteurization is an entirely different process. Treated with or by irradiation should be retained because that is accurate terminology.

We have a right to know how our food has been processed. Please ensure that labeling requirements are strengthened not weakened.

Sincerely,

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