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**To:** Information  
**Subject:** Consumer Submission on Raw Milk Products

This is a submission in response to your call for consumer submissions on raw milk products. Having just returned from an overseas trip I have had little time to read your documents or prepare this submission.

Initially, however, I think a fundamental issue has been ignored in a manner that does not speak well for the professionalism of the documentation. In defense of it, however, the error is common throughout the community. Essentially, the paper takes as given the validity of the science supporting pasteurisation, when there is a growing literature, easily accessible through an Amazon search on 'raw milk', that shows that this science is fundamentally flawed and little more than an anachronism that remains commercially convenient.

My reading and personal experience (at 71) indicates that pasteurisation does much harm to the nutritional and digestible qualities of milk, turning it into a slow poison. I had long stopped drinking milk before I found that raw milk could be obtained. My household would now consume up to 2 litres a day. I avoid all products that I think may contain pasteurised milk.

Like so much of our so called food and medical safety regulations, it is difficult to see present milk standards as serving anything other than commercial convenience and profit, often at serious cost to community health.

As a humble comment, I believe that the scientific paradigms used to determine health standards are often ill-conceived. I actively seek out opportunities in Australia and overseas to explain why they need to be thoroughly reconceptualised if we want to avoid worsening plagues of degenerative disease.

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