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Who We Are

The Geneator is a radio show with over 5,000 listeners each week and a vibrant community of sponsors and contributors who share knowledge about sustainable living.

Raw animal foods, especially raw milk is one of our many popular topics of conversation. We estimate that there are currently thousands of drinkers of raw milk in Australia. And this group is growing swiftly.

We are very interested in being part of the steps toward reintroducing this vital, ancient and sacred food into our daily lives.

What we want

As raw milk consumers we desire:

- Easy access to clean, unprocessed milk from local dairies with healthy cattle that are grass fed only
- FSANZ to reassess outdated science and non-science which condemns raw milk as a carrier of pathogens and consider science based recommendations for consumption of raw milk.
- Certification of raw milk which ensures its cleanliness and its healthful properties remain intact
- Regulations which require raw milk and raw cheeses to be traded ONLY via localised, cottage industry

We make this submission in the knowledge that you have to balance the dangers of unhygienic trading with the benefits of natural foods. We remind you that good regulation of local community activities is superior, on a number of levels, to highly mechanised industrial food production and that an authority such as yourself needs to ensure that it is not advocating a globalised, industrial approach to food production on the basis of scientific principles that are over a century old and out of step with the requirements of the twenty first century.

Best regards
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