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**Re: Biosecurity Tasmania submission on *irradiation as a phytosanitary measure for all fresh fruit and vegetables***

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding the Queensland Government's 'irradiation as a phytosanitary measure for all fresh fruit and vegetables' application. Biosecurity Tasmania wishes to express support for this application. We note that risk assessment found no public health and safety concerns associated with the consumption of fresh fruit and vegetables that have been irradiated at appropriate doses. Biosecurity Tasmania considers irradiation to be an effective phytosanitary measure. It provides a quality alternative to methyl bromide fumigation and use of certain insecticides that are becoming more restricted or being phased out.

If you have any queries regarding our submission, please feel free to contact [REDACTED] (Team Leader – Plant Biosecurity Policy) at [REDACTED]

Regards,

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