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To Whom It May Concern,  
Regarding:  
M1008-Maximum Residue Limits (2012)

Firstly I wish to apologise for this Lateness of Submission.  
I am currently unwell due to local street spraying of Glyphosate. All usual Neuro-toxic symptoms and after-effects present.

My comments are-

**While I commend FZANZ on any move to lower maximum residue limits in 2012 or in the future, I caution FZANZ to rethink the raising of any pesticide maximum residue limits on Australian or New Zealand crops. Current, and easily accessible Global Peer-Reviewed Science regarding the toxicity, and negative health impacts of up to one hundred pesticides, currently being used in Australia, and abroad, is cautioning for a sustained reduction of all pesticides. I urge FZANZ to withhold any raising of MRL's until all of the Global currently available Peer-Reviewed Scientific Literature has been absorbed into current Australian chemical safety standards. In the European Union, the understanding of Codex Alimentarius is being seriously scrutinised, and it is not advisable to follow it's example. With rising awareness of the dangers of pesticides still permissible in current Australian legislation, farmers and governments may be held legally responsible for Aquifer contamination, and land and riparian zone contamination. To err very much on the side of caution would be advised.**

Kind Regards,  
Carolyn McMahon