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**To:** Christine Phippen  
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This receive this as my official submission regarding:

Application A1035 – Food derived from Insect-protected Soybean Line MON 87701

I object to the approval of both these applications.

I request FSANZ does NOT give either of these approval because:

1. I do not wish to eat genetically engineered food and the release into the food chain of these will place unreasonable costs on my family and the many members of the community seeking to avoid GE ingredients. There is inadequate labelling of GE food for me to easily, safely and affordably make a guaranteed purchase of my choice. This includes labelling of food in restaurants and food made at point of sale. It is a threat to human rights to not allow people the freedom of choice over what they eat and that is currently the situation that would be created should these applications be approved.
2. I do not believe that GE food has been proven to be safe to consume. Legal action in the US courts shows serious concerns about the inadequacy of data supplied by applicants and the assessment process itself. It is unreasonable to continue to consider and make approvals of GM foods on this basis. Scientists at the FDA have previously warned authorities not to assume safety under "GRAS" status. No further GM foods can be legitimately approved on such a basis.
3. NOT allowing these products into the human food chain can encourage industry to develop strict traceability, and proper safety testing. It is wrong to conclude there are no other measures that would be more cost-effective to support end benefits for safety and trade.

I call on FSANZ to change its decision and to NOT approve these product on the basis of an INADEQUATE process of assessment that exposes the public to unacceptable and unethical risk.

**Name / contact**\_\_\_Christine Phippen

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