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Dear Sir/Madam,

I was astounded to read that FOOD STANDARDS are considering the addition of another chemical to artificially modify wine.

The number of chemicals already approved for use and **not listed on labels** whether used in the wine or in the "processing of wine" is a travesty. Why should we be concerned about the use of another chemical,?

It is a well known scientific fact that the population of developing and developed countries are showing increasing susceptibility to contagion's in the environment. One classic case is the very significant increase in allergic reactions in the community, creating more significant cases of anaphylaxis, asthma etc.

Why on this earth would a Food Standards body charged with the responsibility of protecting the community even consider the possibility of another chemical in our food chain???

Why would our Food Standards organisation allow the wine industry to further POLLUTE a "natural product" such as wine?

Why do we not fully informed of the manufactured chemicals that are already in wine?

WE SHOULD ENSURE THAT THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO RISKS OF THESE CHEMICALS HAVING ADVERSE EFFECTS ON USERS AND ENSURE THAT THE USE OF THE PROPOSED CHEMICAL DOES NOT REQUIRE A SEPERATE LABEL FOR WINES GIVEN THAT **THIS CHEMICAL CAN TOTALLY CHANGE THE PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE WINE, BEING A THICKENING AGENT!!!!**

Remember that it is going to be the larger "industrial wineries" that will use more chemical ingredients and thus as they control the major share of the mass wine market, they will have to carry the greatest risk. However, any person who had their health damaged by the chemicals added will have little chance of proving that this or that multi-national was at fault?

**You have a duty to protect the consumer and not "pander" to big industry!!!**

*Kind regards*

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