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To the Environment and Public Affairs Committee

I am an Agricultural Scientist with over 20 years' experience and now an independent farm consultant. The credible scientific evidence from around the world is clear- crops and pastures developed using 'GMO' breeding techniques are not only safe to use and eat but have many positive impacts to farming systems and the environment. Genetic engineering is a precise technique and better targeted than existing breeding methods such as radioactive or chemical mutagenesis which doesn't attract the same senseless fear mongering and activism. The agricultural industry or the taxpayer does not need to be burdened with any more red tape or cost for this perfectly safe technology which can easily co-exist with all forms of plant breeding.

Regards

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