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Minister for the Environment

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Dr Dennis Jensen MP Chair Standing Committee on Petitions PO Box 6021 Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

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Dear Dr Jensen

I refer to your letter of 1 October 2014 concerning Petition 833/1300 on the use of pesticides and GM crops and their impact on public health.

The issues raised in the petition are more appropriately addressed by the agriculture and health portfolios, rather than the environment portfolio. The Minister for Agriculture, the Hon Barnaby Joyce MP, replied to you on behalf of the Australian Government on 26 March 2014.

Thank you for writing on this matter.

Yours sincerely

Greg Hunt