Dear Mr Murphy, I am writing as a chemical victim caused by exposure to toxic chemicals and pesticides which, since the publishing of my book "CHEMICAL FREE LIVING" in 1990, have gradually been banned and withdrawn from sale. It has taken 20 years for this to occur, as the safety of these chemicals was reviewed by scientists who were paid by the chemical companies to get the right answers! This was especially so in the case of the organochlorines, as exposed by Dr Ian Nisbet. How many people contracted cancer as a result of the proliferation of these pesticides? Aldrin, dieldrin, heptachlor, chlordane etc, remain for many years in the environment. Although I have survived, the experience has taken a great toll on my overall health.

Therefore please tread with caution about permitting the GM technology into our country.

PLEASE MAKE US GM FREE AS HAS PERU. IT IS NOT TOO LATE IF YOU ACT NOW!

The planting of these crops in Australia has already caused problems, organic farms and conventional farms have already been contaminated. It is impossible to contain these genes. The organic market is the fastest growing food market in Australia. DO NOT RUIN IT!

THE MAJORITY OF OUR FARMERS DO NOT WANT GM CROPS. THEY ARE ABLE TO GROW WITHOUT THIS TECHNOLOGY. THEY ARE GETTING BETTER PRICES WITHOUT IT! THE GM SEEDS ARE MUCH MORE EXPENSIVE!

Please read the scientific reports in "Genetic Roulette" by Jeffrey M Smith, forward by Dr Rosemary Stanton, re the effects on animals fed on GM crops, even if you are not persuaded, at least give us a moratorium of at least 10 years to gauge the effect on us.

I am most alarmed that covertly the CSIRO has planted the first GM wheat in NSW obviously funded by overseas interests. OUR FARMERS WERE NOT ASKED ABOUT THIS. THEY SHOULD HAVE HAD A SAY AS IT IS THEIR LIVELIHOODS, AND SAFE FARMING, THAT ARE AT STAKE. THERE IS NO GM WHEAT ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE WORLD. This has the potential to contaminate our wheat produce! At present all our bread, pasta and noodles are GM free!

THE GENERAL POPULATION DO NOT WANT GM FOODS. THEY ARE NOT AS YET PROVEN TO BE SAFE. MANY OF OUR CROP BUYERS DO NOT WANT GM FOOD CROPS. THE CHEMICAL COMPANIES ARE JUST SO GREEDY AND WE ARE SUCKERS FOR THEIR PROPAGANDA!

Latest research (published) from Canada shows that 2 gynaecologists have found GM toxins in the blood of pregnant women and foetuses, relating to GM corn and pesticides used on these crops. Many of the crops are genetically modified to allow the use of much more weedicides leaving the crop untouched. This of course leaves much more pesticide contamination in the crop...the MRLs has been increased to allow this...is this a safe course of action?? Is our health really important to you the government?

I AM JOINING HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE WHO SAY 'NO GM TO FOODS'!

A COMPLETE REVIEW OF ALL GM CROPS IS REQUIRED AND THE CONSUMERS, US, SHOULD HAVE A SAY!