



Licence No.: CHE - 2008

Standard: GECA 17-2006 – General Purpose Cleaners

Initial Verification Conformance
Date: 3 June 2008

Champ Enterprises Pty
Ltd (Safeguard
Innovations)

Good Environmental Choice -
Australia

ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION



The fruit & veggie wash product produced by Safeguard Innovations (Champ Enterprises Pty Ltd) has been assessed against the GECA 17-2006 – General Purpose Cleaners Standard, and awarded with the Australian Good Environmental Choice Eco-Label.

1. Description of Company and Product

Company: Champ Enterprises Pty Ltd (Safeguard Innovations)

Products: Fruit & Veggie Wash

Postal: PO Box 23, North Fremantle WA 6159, Australia

Address: 53 Stockdale Road, O'Connor WA 6163, Australia
Or 22 Phillip St, Maddington WA 6109

Phone: 1800 022 898 (+61 8 9314 2731)

Fax: +61 8 9314 2199

Web: <http://safeguardproducts.com.au/>

Fruit and vegetables are a vital part of your family's health and well-being. They provide a major daily source of vitamins and minerals for people of all ages. But just how clean and safe are the fruit and vegetables we eat?

Did you know that up to 20 pairs of hands will touch your fruit and veg from field to feeding your family?

Contaminants can build up while fruit and veggies are grown, harvested, transported, packed and sold. Washing in water alone will not remove bacteria, waxes, chemicals and pesticides.

Independent laboratories that are certified by the National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) have extensively tested Safeguard Fruit & Veggie Wash. The tests concluded that Safeguard Fruit & Veggie Wash successfully removes up to 100 times more contaminants than water alone.

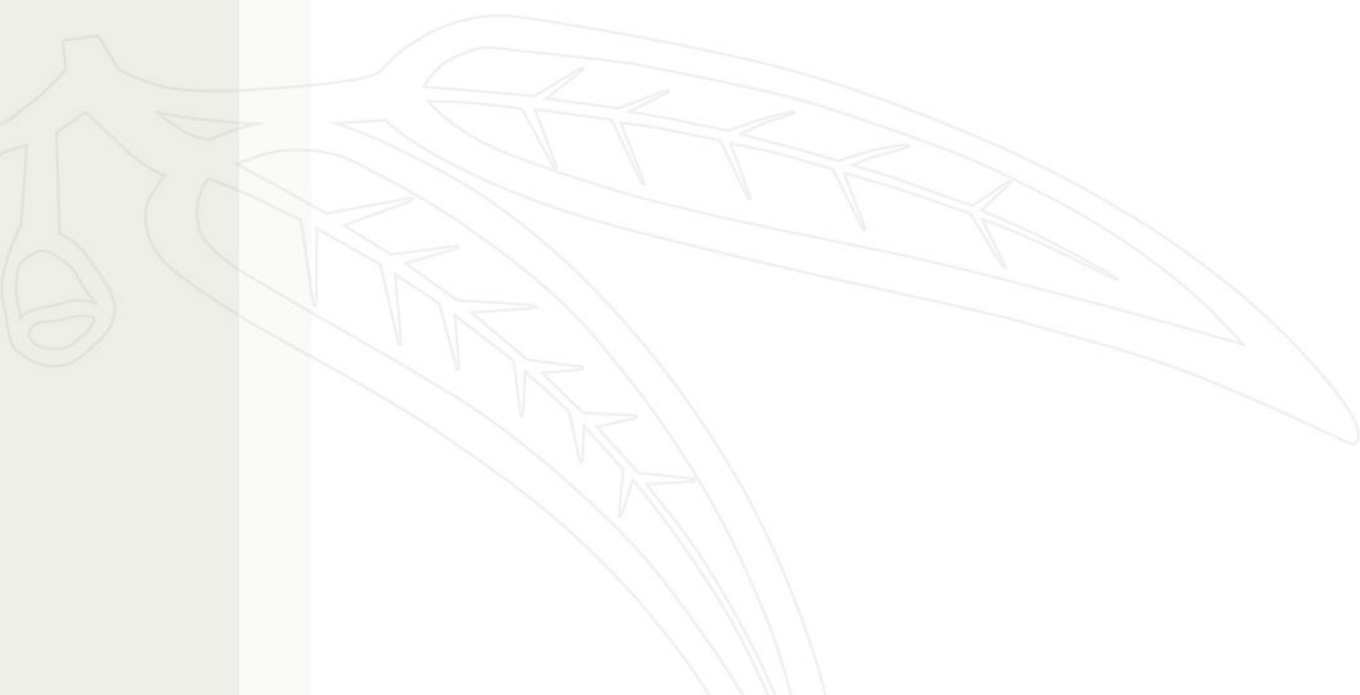
Made from all natural and organic ingredients, Safeguard Fruit & Veggie Wash has a lovely, fresh citrus aroma with no after taste and leaves your fruit and vegetables the way nature intended.

Safeguard Fruit & Veggie Wash is quick and easy to use and takes just 30 seconds. Look for Safeguard Fruit & Veggie Wash in the fresh produce section of your supermarket or at greengrocer near you.

The blend of 100 % natural and organic ingredients in Safeguard Fruit and Veggie Wash is able to reduce the levels of contaminants because the ingredients actually help water to stick to dirt, chemicals and waxes to allow their removal.

Contaminants like agricultural pesticides and waxes are designed to be waterproof. That's why washing with water alone is not effective. Safeguard Fruit & Veggie Wash is all natural and does not contain any chemicals, so there is no further contamination with substances that could make you sick, like soap, bleach, harsh detergents and other toxic chemicals.

Safeguard Fruit & Veggie Wash is easy to use and rinses clean, leaving only the fresh taste of healthy fruit and vegetables.



2. Description of the Verification.

The Good Environmental Choice Label is the national product life cycle independent environmental declaration in Australia (www.geca.org.au). The organisation is an independent non-profit environmental research and certification organisation recognised as the Australian member of an international network of ecolabelling schemes under the Global Ecolabelling Network. Good Environmental Choice Australia (GECA) Ltd. manages the Good Environmental Choice – Mark of Conformity in conformance to ISO 14 024 – International Standard for Third Party Environmental Labelling and Declaration.

Following an independent audit against the recognition requirements of the Australian Ecolabel Program the Safeguard Innovations (Champ Enterprises Pty Ltd) range of products has been awarded the "Good Environmental Choice" label for the Australian market. The Ecolabel is awarded to those products that meet or exceed voluntary standards of environmental performance. The verification procedure is managed via a Documented Quality Management System and Certification Program Manual which have made significant use of the ISO 14 000 series.

The objectives of the program are to:

- a) Provide incentives for suppliers to reduce the environmental impacts of products sold in Australia;
- b) Provide a clear, credible and independent guide to consumers wishing to take account of environmental factors in their purchasing decisions;
- c) Encourage consumers to purchase products which have lower environmental impacts;
- d) Recognize genuine moves by companies to reduce the adverse environmental impacts of their products;
- e) Aim ultimately to improve the quality of the environment and to encourage the sustainable management of resources.

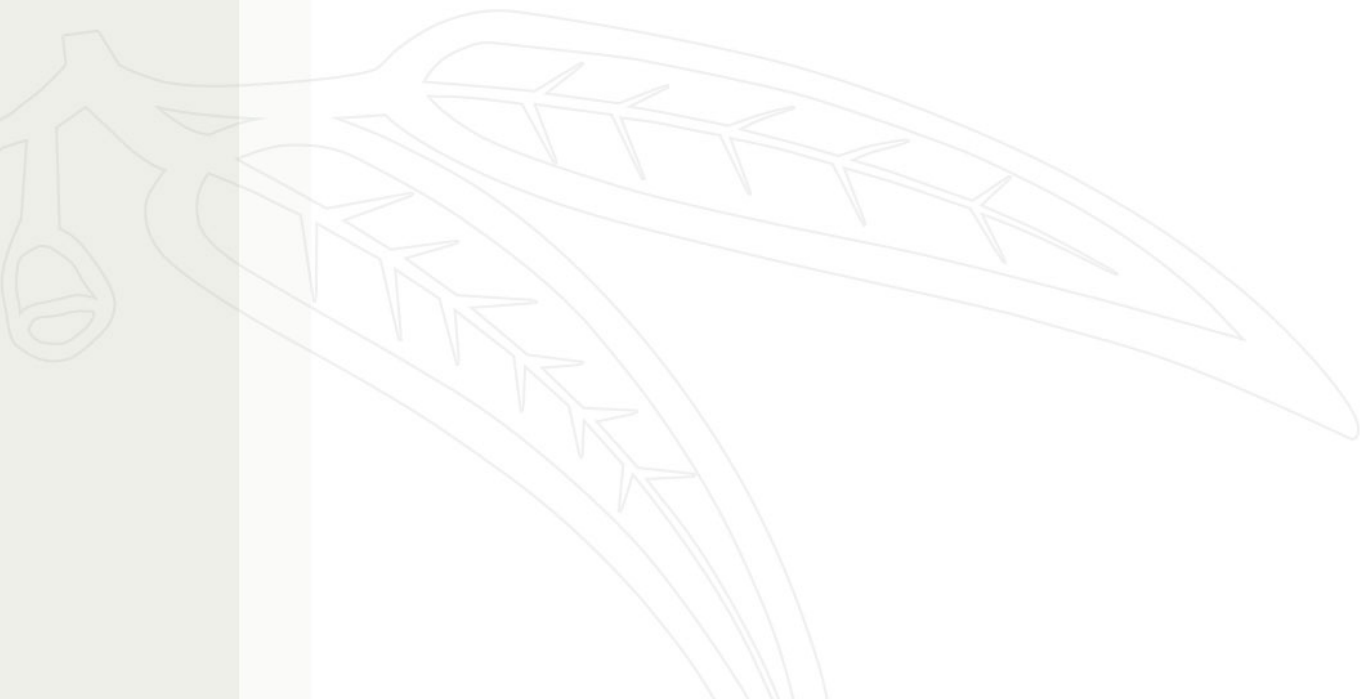
3. The Products

The following Safeguard Innovations (Champ Enterprises Pty Ltd) products have been awarded the Good Environmental Choice Declaration:

PRODUCT	PRODUCT INFORMATION
Product 1	Fruit & Veggie Wash



Safeguard Fruit & Veggie Wash



4. Key Environmental Performance Findings by GECA

The key environmental performance criterion against which the Safeguard Innovations products were assessed, and the findings by GECA, is provided below.

Environmental Requirements	Core Environmental Performance Characteristics
<p>3.0 Fitness for Purpose Certified products should be of high quality and perform well in their intended application. High standards of product performance are implicit in the label. Certified product must ensure that the product is fit for its intended purpose</p>	<p>Champ Enterprises has provided certification from Silliker Microtech to indicate Food Safety testing approval. The results demonstrate a clear attribute of the product to deliver the disinfectant and cleaning qualities of the product for it's intended use.</p>
<p>3.2 Formulation Requirements The phosphorous load shall not exceed 25 mg/litre. General purpose cleaners shall not be formulated or manufactured with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EDTA; • NTA; • APEO's; • reactive chlorine compounds such as hypochlorite or organic chlorine carriers; • substances classified as carcinogenic 	<p>GECS have been informed that neither of the products under assessment contains phosphorous or any other chemicals listed in this criterion. GECS have received MSDS and test results showing that the Safeguard Veggie Wash contains none of the above mentioned chemical formulas. The proprietary ingredient mix of the formulation has been assessed for the purpose of demonstrating compliance to this criterion.</p>

<p>according to the approved criteria for the classification of hazardous substances by the National Industry Chemical Notification and Assessment Scheme;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • greater than 0.1% of any ingredient that is classified or may be classified as mutagenic or tetragenic <p>according to the approved criteria for the classification of hazardous substances by the National Industry Chemical Notification and Assessment Scheme;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • greater than 1% of any ingredient that is classified as a contact sensitiser or as a possible mutagen <p>according to the approved criteria for the classification of hazardous substances by the National Industry Chemical Notification and Assessment Scheme;</p>	
<p>3.3 Solvents General purpose cleaners must not contain:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Halogenated organic solvents or butoxy-ethanol; 	<p>An inspection of MSDS for all the ingredients used in the Safeguard Fruit & Veggie Wash, the product contains no Volatile Organic Compounds which constitute 10% or more of the overall product weight.</p>

<p>b) volatile organic compounds in excess of 10% by weight</p>	
<p>3.4 Fragrance Fragrance must be produced and used in accordance with the "Code of Practice" compiled by the International Fragrance Association (IFRA). Fragrance containing the following nitromusk compounds must not be used because of their cancer risk</p>	<p>GECS have been informed that neither of the above mentioned products contains any fragrances. This has been verified during an examination of ingredient lists and MSDS for product components.</p>
<p>3.5 Colours Colorants used must be included on the "List of Colouring Agents Allowed for use in Cosmetic Products" in Annex IV of European Commission Directorate 76/768/EEC. A copy of the Directive is available at: http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/cosmetics/html/consolidated_dir.htm</p>	<p>No colours are used in the products under assessment. This has been verified during an examination of ingredient lists and MSDS for all product components. GECS is satisfied that none of the products under assessment contain colours that are of concern under this criterion.</p>
<p>3.6 Consumer Information a) The detergents must be accompanied by instructions for proper use so as to maximise product</p>	<p>The intended packaging of the product has been assessed for compliance to this criterion. Suitable information is displayed confirming compliance to this criterion.</p>

<p>performance and minimise waste.</p> <p>b) All detergents must display on the container a list of product ingredients which complies with the requirements of the EEC Commission Recommendation for Labelling of Detergents and Cleaning Products.</p>	
<p>3.7 Packaging Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All plastic containers and plastic components must be made of plastic that are recycled in Australia (or the country to which the product is exported and sold).• Packaging must not be impregnated, labelled, coated or otherwise treated in a manner, which would prevent recycling (i.e. PVC sleeves, metallic labels).• All plastic packaging (i.e. container, cap, measuring device) must have a plastic resin identification code clearly visible on each item.• Packaging (including labels) must not	<p>The current packaging proposed for this new product contains these components.</p>

<p>contain PVC or any type of chlorinated materials.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The cardboard packaging shall consist of $\geq 70\%$ recycled material. 	
---	--

5. Environmental and Social Regulatory Obligations:

The applicant is required to comply with relevant environmental legislation and government orders at the Local, State and Commonwealth level, if these have been issued. An applicant’s compliance with this criterion may be established by undertaking a series of random checks and gathering samples of applicant operational procedures and documents by approved assessors as evidence to support compliance during the verification and /or a statement of self declaration by an executive officer of the applicant organisation. Where an applicant is from an overseas jurisdiction, that jurisdictions environmental regulations apply.

An applicant shall demonstrate that all employees are covered by a Federal or State award or a certified industrial agreement or a registered workplace agreement as determined by the Industrial Relations Commission, the Employment Advocate or a State or Territory Workplace Relations Agency. An applicant shall demonstrate general compliance to the terms of State or Territory Legislation concerning Occupational, Health and Safety and/or the Commonwealth Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988 where applicable. Where the applicant is subject to a breach order by a government agency or a guilty verdict by an Australian Court within the last 24 months on the basis of a breach of State, Territory or Commonwealth Occupational, Health and Safety Legislation there must be evidence of corrective action.

The applicant shall demonstrate general compliance to the requirements of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975, Sex Discrimination Act 1984, Disability Discrimination Act 1992, and Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Act 1999 and complementary State Legislation. Applicants cannot be in the list of 'named' or non-compliant employers under the Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Act 1999. Where the applicant is subject to a breach order by a government agency or a guilty verdict by an Australian Court in the last 24 months on the basis of a breach of these Acts there must be evidence of corrective action.

Where an applicant is from an overseas jurisdiction, the applicant shall demonstrate general compliance to that jurisdictions anti-discrimination, occupational health and safety and workers compensations regulations. Where the applicant is subject to a breach order by a government agency or a guilty verdict by a

legal court in their respective country within the last 24 months on the basis of a the breach of anti-discrimination, occupational health and safety and workers compensations regulations there must be evidence of corrective action.

An applicant's compliance with these criteria may be established by undertaking a series of random checks and gathering samples of applicant operational procedures and documents by approved assessors as evidence to support compliance during the verification and /or a statement of self declaration by an executive officer of the applicant organisation.

GECS have been informed that no environmental licenses are required for the Champ Enterprises operation, and that the company has not been prosecuted in an environmental court within the past 2 years.

GECS has received a signed declaration from the managing director, that Champ Enterprises has not been prosecuted in any court, environmental or otherwise.

The Champ Enterprises has provided an employee manual which outlines the working conditions of its employees.

GECS is confident that Champ Enterprises complies with all social regulations listed above.

6. Additional Information

A detailed Verification report is supplied to verified manufacturers regarding the environmental characteristics of their products and evidence of compliance. The verification report can be made available at the sole discretion of the manufacturer. The Australian Ecolabel Program is the national environmental product life cycle labelling program for Australia. Further details of the Australian Ecolabel Program are available from www.geca.org.au

Good Environmental Choice Australia recommends these products to green purchasing officers, specifiers, and every day Australians seeking to purchase products and services on the basis of functional and overall environmental and human health performance.

Good Environmental Choice – Australia Ltd

P.O. Box 4140, Weston Creek (Canberra) ACT, 2606

Phone: (02) 6287 3100

Fax: (02) 6287 3800

Web Site: www.geca.org.au

E-Mail: info@geca.org.au