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Dear Mr. Neal and National Organic Standards Board:

This letter is in reference to the National Organic Program, Sunset Review, Docket number TM-04-07.

_____ is in support of allowing Phosphoric Acid (Federal Register/Vol. 70, No. 116 rule # 205.601) on the NOP National List of synthetic substances allowed for use in organic production.

Liquid fish fertilizer stabilized with phosphoric acid has been a plant food for organic production for many years. The use of phosphoric acid is essential to continue to utilize the fish scraps from 100% wild fish harvested from the Great Lakes. One must further understand that the phosphoric acid which is used as a feed grade product derived from natural occurring rock phosphate deposits.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Neal and National Organic Standards Board:

This letter is in reference to the National Organic Program, Sunset Review, Docket number TM-04-07.

_____ is in support of allowing Xanthan Gum (Federal Register/Vol. 70, No. 116 rule # 205.605) on the NOP National List of synthetic substances allowed for use in organic production.

Xanthan Gum, which is a food grade product, allows the suspension of solids and oils in the fish hydrolysate. Without the use of Xanthan Gum the fish fertilizer would be very difficult to apply with organic agricultural techniques.

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