

# National Organic Standards Board

## Handling Committee Recommendation on the addition of Chicory Root Extract § 205.606 of the National List

March 17, 2009

**I. List:** *(where in FR rule example 205.606)*

National Organic Program Subpart G: The National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances.

§ 205.606 Nonorganically produced agricultural products allowed as ingredients in or on processed products labeled as “organic” or “made with organic (specified ingredients or food groups(s)).”

Chicory Root Extract

**II. Committee Summary:**

The Handling Committee, upon reviewing the petition for “Chicory Root Extract,” found that the actual materials described in the body of the petition were inulin and oligofructose, both derived from chicory root extract. The Handling committee considers these two materials to be included in the listings “Inulin,oligofructose-enriched” and “Fructooligosaccharides” which were added to the National List following the recommendation of the NOSB at its March 2007 meeting.

The Handling Committee also considered the possibility that the petitioner intended to request the listing of “Chicory Root Extract” as a broad category, because chicory root extract which has not been processed into the aforementioned materials is also used in handling, as a flavor ingredient for instance. This form of Chickory Root is known by the Handling Committee to be commercially available in organic form.

The petitioner was contacted by the Program at the Committee’s request to verify that the only materials for which the petitioner sought listing were those that already appear on § 205.606. The petitioner confirmed this. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the Handling Committee that this petition requires no further action.

**III. Committee Recommendation**

The Handling Committee recommends that no further action be taken on the petition to add Chicory Root Extract on § 205.606 of the National List.

*Moved: Julie Weisman*

*Second: Katrina Heinze*

*Committee vote: Yes - 6 No - 0 Abstain – 0 Absent – 0 Recuse - 0*