FORMAL RECOMMENDATION BY THE NATIONAL ORGANIC STANDARDS BOARD (NOSB) TO THE NATIONAL ORGANIC PROGRAM (NOP)

Date: April 29, 2010

Subject: §205.606 Sunset Materials Review

Chair: Daniel G. Giacomini

Recommendation

The NOSB hereby recommends to the NOP the following:

Rulemaking Action:

Guidance Statement:

Other:

Summary Statement of the Recommendation (including Recount of Vote):

The following materials listed on §205.606 of the National List and scheduled to sunset off the list in 2012 were reviewed and discussed, and a motion was made for relisting on the National List at the April 2010 National Organic Standards Board meeting:

Casings – from processed intestines

Celery powder

Chia (Salvia hispanica L.)

Dillweed Oil (CAS # 8006-75-5)

Fish Oil (fatty acid CAS #'s 10417-94-4 and 25167-62-8) stabilized with organic ingredients or only with ingredients on the National List 205.605 and 205.606

Galangal, frozen

Gelatin (CAS # 9000-70-8)

Gums – water extracted only (Arabic, Guar, Locust bean, and Carob bean)

Konjac flour (CAS # 37220-17-0)

Lemongrass – frozen

Orange shellac – unbleached (CAS # 9000-59-3)

Pepper, chipotle pepper

Kelp – for use only as a thickener and dietary supplement

Sweet potato starch – for bean thread production only

Turkish bay le	aves				
Wakame seaweed (Undaria pinnatifida)					
The Handling Committee's recommendations covering these materials are attached. There were no public written or verbal comments opposing the committee's recommendations, and all were recommended for relisting by the full NOSB as shown below.					
NOSB Vote:	Motion: Steve DeMuri			Second: Joe Smillie	
Board vote:	Yes – 13	No- 0	Abstain- 0	Absent - 1	Recusal - 1
The motion to relist the above materials passes.					
Response by the	ne NOP:				

National Organic Standards Board Handling Committee Sunset Recommendation for §205.606

March 2, 2010

I. List:

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II. Committee Summary:

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