## Nonorganic Ingredient and Processing Aid Affidavit

#### Instructions:

**VOF Producer Information:** 

**VOF Producer:** Complete the VOF Producer Information below before forwarding this affidavit to your nonorganic material manufacturer. They must complete, sign and return this form unless they have provided you with other documentation verifying the relevant material information. Once completed, save a copy for your records and submit a copy to VOF for review. Submit one affidavit for each nonorganic ingredient or processing aid used in or on your organic product(s).

- For flavors, submit the VOF Natural Flavor Affidavit instead of this form.
- For vitamins and minerals, complete and submit the <u>VOF Vitamins and Minerals Affidavit</u> instead of this form.
- Organic producers are required to document their search for commercially available organic forms of
  materials listed on the National List §205.606 and select materials on §205.605 as per material
  annotations. The VOF Commercial Availability Search: Ingredients & Processing Aids form can be used
  for this purpose.

**Material Manufacturer:** Fill out the Nonorganic Material Information section below as it applies to the specific material listed in the VOF Producer Information section and return to the producer. Manufacturer documentation confirming compliance of the nonorganic material may be submitted in place of this affidavit.

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☐ Ingredient list attached as a separate document

## **Nonorganic Material Production Criteria:**

The material listed above conforms to the following criteria	True	False	N/A
Genetic engineering, genetically modified organisms, and excluded methods <sup>1</sup> as defined in NOP 205.2 were <b>not</b> used in the production of this material.			
lonizing radiation as described in 21 CFR 179.26 was <b>not</b> used in the processing of this material.			
Sewage sludge was <b>not</b> used in the production of this material.			
<b>For salt</b> : whiteners, anti-caking/free-flow agents, or other prohibited additives were <b>not</b> used in the production of this material.			

### **Nonorganic Material Composition:**

Indicate whether the nonorganic material above consists of any of the following substances. If yes, indicate whether the material meets the applicable criteria below by selecting "True." Provide additional information for applicable criteria in the fillable form fields provided.

Requirement per National List §205.605(a) Allowed Nonsynthetics	True	False
Citric Acid – Produced by microbial fermentation of carbohydrate substance		
List carbohydrate substance:		
Animal Enzyme (rennet; catalase; lipase; pancreatin; pepsin; or trypsin) – Rennet is derived from animals, catalase is from bovine liver		
Attapulgite – Used as a processing aid in the handling of plant and animal oils		
Calcium chloride - nonsynthetic source only		
Calcium sulfate – Mined		
Enzyme – From edible, nontoxic plants, nonpathogenic fungi, or non-pathogenic bacteria		
Gellan Gum – High-acyl form		
Glucono delta-lactone – Not produced by the oxidation of D-glucose with bromine water.		
Kaolin – Not acid-treated, acid-activated, or acid-leached		
Lactic Acid – Produced via fermentation		
Magnesium Chloride – Derived from sea water, terminal lake brine, subsurface brine deposit, or mineral ore deposit. Hydrochloric acid is not used in production.		
Magnesium Sulfate – Mined form without further synthetic <sup>3</sup> processing		
Microorganisms – Food grade bacteria, fungi, or other microorganism		
Nitrogen – Oil-free grade		
Oxygen – Oil-free grade		
Potassium Chloride – Extracted from nonsynthetic <sup>4</sup> source material (mined or from brine)		
Sodium Bicarbonate – <u>Produced via the Trona process and not the Solvay process</u>		

Requirement per National List §205.605(a) Allowed Nonsynthetics	True	False
Sodium Carbonate – <u>Produced via the Trona process and not the Solvay process</u>		
Tartaric Acid – Made from grape wine		
Wax – Nonsynthetic <sup>4</sup> (wood rosin)		
Yeast – Nonsynthetic <sup>4</sup> , not grown on petrochemical substrate or sulfite waste liquor. For smoked yeast, nonsynthetic <sup>4</sup> smoke flavoring process.		
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Requirement per National List §205.605(b) Allowed Synthetics	True	False
Acidified Sodium Chlorite – Acidified with citric acid		
Activated Charcoal – From a vegetative source.		
List source:		
Cellulose – Powdered cellulose is non-chlorine bleached. Not microcrystalline cellulose.		
Gellan Gum – Low-acyl form		
Hypochlorous Acid – Generated from electrolyzed water		
Tocopherol – Derived from vegetable oil		
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Requirement per National List §205.606 Nonorganically produced agricultural products allowed as ingredients in or on processed products labeled as "organic."	True	False
Casings - from processed intestines		
Color – No synthetic <sup>3</sup> solvents and carrier systems or artificial preservatives were used.		
List agricultural source:		
Fish oil - stabilized with organic ingredients or only with ingredients on the National List 205.605 and 205.606		
Glycerin – Produced from agricultural source materials and processed using biological or mechanical/physical methods as described under NOP 205.270(a)		
Gum (Arabic; Guar; Locust Bean; or Carob Bean) – Water extracted		
Inulin - oligofructose enriched		
Lecithin – De-oiled		
Orange shellac – unbleached		
Pectin – Non-amidated		

#### **Manufacturer Statement:**

Pursuant to NOP §205.2, 205.105, and 205.605-606, I, on behalf of the named manufacturer, hereby attest that the information provided in this form is accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge. Per NOP §205.100(c)(2), any person falsifying statements to an accredited certifying agent shall be subject to the provisions of section 1001 of title 18, United States Code.

Manufacturer Representative Name	Title	
Phone	Email address	
Manufacturer Representative's Authorized Signature (Digital, Ink. or E-Verified)	Date	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> **Excluded Methods (NOP 205.2).** A variety of methods used to genetically modify organisms or influence their growth and development by means that are not possible under natural conditions or processes and are not considered compatible with organic production. Such methods include cell fusion, microencapsulation and macroencapsulation, and recombinant DNA technology (including gene deletion, gene doubling, introducing a foreign gene, and changing the positions of genes when achieved by recombinant DNA technology). Such methods do not include the use of traditional breeding, conjugation, fermentation, hybridization, in vitro fertilization, or tissue culture.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> **Salt.** Salt formulated with magnesium carbonate is allowed in products labeled as "made with organic ingredients." However, using salt formulated with magnesium carbonate is prohibited in products labeled "organic" (products containing at least 95% organic ingredients) or "100% organic". Organic food producers who want to use iodized salt must submit the list of ingredients in the salt to their certifying agent for review and approval. lodized salt typically consists of salt, an iodizing agent, and a stabilizer for the iodine. Note that non-synthetic potassium iodide is on the list of allowed substances in organic foods so non-synthetic potassium iodide could be used to iodize the salt in all categories of organic products. Common stabilizers like nonsynthetic sodium bicarbonate and sodium carbonate are allowed for use in organic production and could be used to stabilize an iodized salt.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> **Synthetic (NOP 205.2).** A substance that is formulated or manufactured by a chemical process or by a process that chemically changes a substance extracted from naturally occurring plant, animal, or mineral sources; ...shall not apply to substances created by naturally occurring biological processes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> **Nonsynthetic (natural) (NOP 205.2).** A substance that is derived from mineral, plant, or animal matter; does not undergo a synthetic process as defined in section 6502(21) of the Act (7 U.S.C. 6502(21)). Nonsynthetic is used as a synonym for natural.