NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** United States of America  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), Department of Agriculture (USDA) [1379]  **Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:** Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: [usatbtep@nist.gov](mailto:usatbtep@nist.gov) |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****], 2.10.1 [****], 5.6.2 [****], 5.7.1 [****], other:** **X** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Organic foods. Food products in general (ICS 67.040). |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** National Organic Program: USDA Organic Regulations (2 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This document announces the renewal of 17 substances on the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (National List) within the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) organic regulations. This document reflects the outcome of the 2018 sunset review process and addresses the recommendations submitted to the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary), through the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), by the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB). |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**  83 Federal Register (FR) 14347, 4 April 2018; Title 7 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 205. |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** 29 May 2018  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 29 May 2018 |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** None |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/USA/18_1927_00_e.pdf> |