

Re: Docket Number TMD-94-00-2

Dear National Organic Program staff:

As a reader of ORGANIC GARDENING magazine, I have kept abreast of the development of the proposed rules and your request for comments. Please revise your proposed rules on organic food production to fully reflect the advice and expertise of the National Organic Standards Board. The Board went to historic lengths to create an open and inclusive process that involved thousands of citizens, including those who are most informed about, and most affected by, this issue.

In particular, I urge you to give us a meaningful choice about how our food is produced and to maintain the integrity of organic agriculture in the final rules by prohibiting all of the following products and practices for food labeled and/or sold as certified organic:

- Genetically engineered organisms and materials
- Sewage sludge ("biosolids," section 205.22)
- Irradiation ("ionizing radiation")
- All inert ingredients unless they are rated by the EPA as "Generally Recognized As Safe." (section 205.21(d))
- Other comments: _____

Print Name
and Address:

Sincerely,