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Re: Essential Amino Acids

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Via: Fax

Dear Toni:

It has come to my attention that the NOSB is currently considering those items that should be included in the NATIONAL LIST OF PERMITTED MATERIALS FOR USE IN PRODUCTION OF ORGANIC LIVESTOCK. As a producer of organic chickens and turkeys, I urge you to include the essential amino acids methionine and lysine in this list. It is our position, based on the advise of our animal nutritionist Dr. John Kuhl, that without the use of these amino acids our birds would require a far higher amount of organic grains to attain maturity. There is also the issue that if we do feed higher amounts of soy for protein, the birds will excrete a higher level of nitrogen into the environment. We will not only be consuming more grain, but



will actually be producing more pollutants than normal.
Please add my voice to those that support the inclusion of essential amino acids in the
feed rations of organic poultry.

Sincerely

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