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AMENDMENT NO. 2 COMMODITY SPECIFICATION DRIED FRUIT – January 2021

The purpose of this amendment is to revise and clarify the Individual Commodity Specification for Dried Apricot Pieces -24/1 pound.

- Further clarify color and defect requirements.
- Add allowance and tolerance for optional addition of sulfur treatment

Additions and clarifications are shown in **blue**; strikethroughs are deletions.

INDIVIDUAL COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. <u>Grade</u>: Made from apricots equivalent to U.S. Grade B or better, low-moisture apricots in accordance with the United States Standards for Grades of Dehydrated (Low Moisture) Apricots effective date June 30, 1974 with the following clarifications:
 - <u>Color</u>: the over-all color may vary considerably ranging from slightly dull orange to dull amber.
 - <u>Absence of Defects</u>: the low-moisture apricots are reasonably free from any defects that affect materially the appearance or eating quality of the low-moisture apricots; and that not more than a total of 10 percent, by weight, of the low-moisture apricots may be damaged units; Provided, that not more than 4 percent, by weight, of the low-moisture apricots may be seriously damaged units (units that are seriously darkened very dark brown to black) or which in any other way seriously affect the appearance of the low-moisture apricots.

2. Apricots must not be subjected to sulfur treatment.

- 7. Color: Characteristic of unsulfured low-moisture apricots.
- 2. <u>Style:</u> Diced or pieces.
- 3. Additives or optional ingredients:
 - Sodium sulfite or sodium acid sulfite or other FDA approved sulfating agents up to 2000 parts per million (ppm) (Calculated as sulfur dioxide using the optimized Monier-Williams AOAC Method 990.28).
- 4. <u>Labeling</u>: A detectable level of a sulfiting agent equal to or above 10 ppm must be declared in the ingredient statement.
- 5. <u>Truckload size</u>: 1,440 cases per truckload.
- 6. Material Code and UPC:

Dried Fruit	WBSCM Material	Primary Container	Secondary Container
Apricot Pieces - 24/1 pound	111431	7 15001 11431 0	7 15001 11431 7

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.