Formal Recommendation by the
National Organic Standards Board (NOSB)
to the National Organic Program (NOP)

Date: **April 29, 2011**

Subject: **Tocopherols Sunset**

Chair: **Tracy Miedema**

The NOSB hereby recommends to the NOP the following:

Rulemaking Action   X
Guidance Statement   .
Other

Statement of the Recommendation (Including Recount of Vote):

To relist:

Tocopherols—derived from vegetable oil when rosemary extracts are not a suitable alternative.

on § 205.605(b) of the National List.

Rationale Supporting Recommendation (including consistency with OFPA and NOP):

No new information concerning Tocopherols, with annotation, was discovered since the last re-listing of this material, and no public comment was received opposing relisting.

NOSB Vote:

Moved: Steve DeMuri		**Second:** Mac Stone		
Yes: 14	**No:** 0	**Abstain:** 0	**Absent:** 0	**Recusal:** 0

National Organic Standards Board
Handling Committee
Sunset 2012 Proposed Recommendation
Tocopherols

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List: 205.605 Nonagricultural (nonorganic) substances allowed as ingredients in or on processed products labeled as "organic" or "made with organic (specified ingredients or food group(s))."

(b) Synthetics allowed

Committee Summary

Federal register notice of the sunset of these materials elicited no public comments against re-listing.

Review of the original recommendation, historical documents, and public comments does not reveal unacceptable risks to the environment, human, or animal health as a result of the use or manufacture of this material. There is no new information contradicting the original recommendation which was the basis for the previous NOSB decision to list this material.

Committee Recommendation(s)

The handling committee recommends the renewal of the following substance in this use category as published in the final rule:

Tocopherols – derived from vegetable oil when rosemary extracts are not a suitable alternative.

Committee Vote

Motion: To relist tocopherols on § 205.605(b).
Motion by: Steve DeMuri   Second: Mac Stone
Yes: 5   No: 0   Absent: 2   Abstain: 0   Recuse: 0