FORMAL RECOMMENDATION BY THE
NATIONAL ORGANIC STANDARDS BOARD (NOSB)
TO THE NATIONAL ORGANIC PROGRAM (NOP)

Date: May 31, 2006

Subject: Sunset Review - 205.603; Synthetic substances allowed for use in organic livestock production

Chair: Kevin R. O’Rell

Recommendation

The NOSB hereby recommends to the NOP the following:

Rulemaking Action: __XXXXXX_____
Guidance Statement: _
Other: ______

Statement of the Recommendation:
See attached Recommendation for NOT Renewing Milk Replacers as Synthetic substances allowed for use in organic livestock production on 205.603, category use (c) as feed supplements.

NOSB Vote:
Moved: Hue Karreman Second: Nancy Ostiguy
Yes – 11
No – 1
Abstain – 0
Absent- 2

Rationale Supporting Recommendation:
NOSB Sunset Material Vote

Response by the NOP:
National Organic Standards Board
Livestock Committee
Final Recommendation for the Synthetic substances allowed for use in
organic livestock production

April 20, 2006

Category Use

(c) As feed supplements

Committee Summary:

Several commentors supported the continued listing of milk replacers. One commentor questioned the continued listing of non-organic milk replacer since organic milk replacers or their equivalent are available. The Livestock Committee agrees with the commentor who indicated organic milk replacers or their equivalent are available and thus non-organic milk replacers no longer need to be on the National List. The Livestock Committee believes milk replacers can be removed from the list without adversely affecting organic livestock production.

NOSB Recommendation(s):

Recommendations Made that are Based upon Comments Received – 205.603(c)

The NOSB recommends NOT renewing the following substance(s):

Milk replacers—without antibiotics, as emergency use only, no nonmilk products or products from BST treated animals.

Moved: Hue Karreman                    Second: Nancy Ostiguy

Board vote:   Yes – 11    No – 1    Abstain – 0    Absent - 2