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# National List: Materials Update

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### This meeting:

- 2 petitioned materials on the agenda
- 35 materials for sunset (meeting 1 of 2)



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# Evaluation Criteria for Materials

- Criteria are provided for in the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 (OFPA)
- Petition guidelines, technical report evaluation questions and NOSB review documents align with OFPA criteria
- Different criteria for production uses vs. handling
- Additional criteria for synthetic processing aids and adjuvants at § 205.600(b)



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## Materials Proposals - Crops

This meeting:

- No petitions on agenda
- Marine algae listings on the National List





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## Outstanding Petitions - Crops

Under Subcommittee review:

- Allyl Isothiocyanate (AITC)\*
- Ammonium nonanoate
- Anaerobic digestate\*
- Fatty alcohols\*
- Natamycin\*
- Polyoxin D Zinc Salt\*
- Sodium citrate\*

Petitions available on the NOP website

\*Technical reports requested or in development





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# Outstanding Petitions - Livestock

## Under Review:

- Glycolic acid\*
- Hypochlorous acid\*
- Sulfur\*
- Thymol
- Aquaculture (x10)

Petitions available on the NOP website

\*Technical reports requested or in development



# Outstanding Petitions – Handling

This meeting:

- Short DNA Tracers
- L-Methionine

Petitions available on the NOP website



# Other Materials Proposals - Handling

This meeting:

- Tocopherols – annotation change
- Marine algae listings
- Ancillary substances for cellulose
- Bisphenol A (BPA) in packaging
  - Discussion document only (no vote at this meeting)





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## Outstanding Petitions – Handling

### Under Subcommittee Review

- Sodium dodecyl benzene sulfonate (SDBS)
- Silver dihydrogen citrate\*
- Sodium chlorite, for generation of chlorine dioxide gas

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# Outstanding Petitions – Handling (cont.)

## Under Subcommittee Review

- Ethiopian pepper, 205.606
- Japones pepper, 205.606
- Tamarind seed gum, 205.606

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# Other Technical Reports – Status Update

### In development:

- Bisphenol A (Handling)
- Anaerobic digestate (Crops)

### Now available:

- Newspaper & other recycled paper (Crops)



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## Voting Procedures

- For petitioned substances, NOSB votes on two motions:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> motion: Classification (if not previously classified)
    - Synthetic / Nonsynthetic
    - Agricultural / Nonagricultural
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> motion: To list/remove/amend
- 2/3 majority needed for decisive vote





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## Sunset 2019

- Crops: 13 listings
- Livestock: 8 listings
- Handling: 14 listings



## Sunset 2019

- Includes materials advanced for Sunset under the [Fall 2016 NOSB recommendation](#) for Sunset Review - Efficient Workload Reorganization
  - 1 material with a 2019 sunset date (biodegradable biobased mulch film)
  - 34 materials under review early under the efficient workload reorganization



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# Sunset 2019 (cont.)

- Considered at Spring 2017 and Fall 2017 NOSB meetings
- Voting will occur at Fall 2017 meeting
- National List materials and sunset dates are available on agenda and in the NOP Handbook
- See [NOP 5611: National List Sunset Dates](#)



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Thank you!







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# Technical Report Contractors

- AMS Agricultural Analytics Division
- ICF International
- Organic Materials Review Institute (OMRI)
- Pesticide Research Institute

Comments on technical reports can be submitted to the NOSB through  
[www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)