MAGNESIUM HYDROXIDE

Motion: Magnesium Hydroxide should be added to 205.603 synthetics substances allowed for use in organic livestock production with the following statement: Allowed when formulated from either natural or synthetic materials.

Vote tallies

Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Michael, , Dave, Jim,			George
Nancy, Becky			

All ageed that Magnesium Hydroxide could be EITHER NATURAL OR SYNTHETIC.

Background:

- Magnesium Hydroxide common human brands include Rolaids and Di-Gel) is an antacid and laxative.
- Magnesium Hydroxide can be manufactured either Naturally or synthetically. Neither method poses environmental or userssues.

Summary of Opinion

• It would be difficult and unnecessary for farmers, vets, manufacturers etc. to verify manufacture method since synthetic version is acceptable.

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