



TO: NSF Joint Committee on Organic Personal Care

FROM: Ray Green, Chairperson of the Joint Committee

DATE: December 12, 2014

SUBJECT: Proposed revision to NSF/ANSI 305 – *Personal Care Products Containing Organic Ingredients* (305i19r2)

Draft 2 of NSF/ANSI 305, issue 19 is being forwarded to the Joint Committee on Organic Personal Care for consideration. Please review the changes proposed to this standard and **submit your ballot by January 9, 2015** via the NSF Online Workspace (<http://standards.nsf.org>).

When adding comments, please identify the section number/name for your comment and add all comments under one comment number whenever possible. If you need additional space, please upload a word or pdf version of your comments online via the browse function.

Purpose

The purpose of this ballot is to provide newly developed guidance language regarding the allowance or prohibition of phosphates under standard 305.

Background

Phosphate ingredients are not currently addressed in Std. 305. There is no indication as to whether they are allowed or prohibited under Section 5 and/or Annex G. It is unclear whether this is intentional or an oversight. Currently, the NOP allows calcium phosphates and potassium phosphate per 7 CFR 205.605 and it is assumed that at a minimum calcium and potassium phosphates are allowed.

In response to this, issue paper OPC-2014-3 was submitted to the OPC task group on chemical processes and discussed at the recent teleconference on April 21, 2014. The recommendation by the task group was to determine and then clearly state whether phosphate ingredients should be allowed or prohibited and/or state specifically which ones are allowed or prohibited.

For **Revision 2**, the ballot was updated to reflect a comment submitted with a negative vote regarding the allowance of some phosphates in the NOP. The comment suggested it would be inconsistent to exclude all phosphates without specific justification. The issue proponent agreed and the language was updated from:

Table G.4 – Illustrative list of prohibited common ingredient types/classes

Phosphates

to:

Table G.4 – Illustrative list of prohibited common ingredient types/classes

Phosphates (except for calcium and potassium phosphates)
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Public Health Impact

The proposed changes have no negative impact on public health.

If you have any questions about the technical content of the ballot, you may contact me in care of:

A handwritten signature in grey ink that reads "Ray Green".

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NSF/ANSI Standard
for Personal Care Products

Personal Care Products Containing Organic Ingredients

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Table G.4 – Illustrative list of prohibited common ingredient types/classes

Petroleum Chemical Preservatives not otherwise specifically allowed
Compounds with “ethoxylate”, “PEG” or the suffix “-eth” in the ingredient name
Amphoteric surfactants including *betaines, imidazoline-derived amphotetates, alkylamino propionates, and glycines
Compounds with “quaternary” or the suffix “-onium” in the ingredient name
Compounds with “sarcosinate” in the ingredient name
Compounds with “MEA”, “DEA” or “TEA” in the ingredient name
Compounds with “taurate” in the ingredient name
Compounds with “sultaine” in the ingredient name
Compounds with Sulfosuccinate in the ingredient name
Compounds with “PPG” in the ingredient name
Phosphates (except for calcium and potassium phosphates)

* Glycine betaine extracted from sugar beets is allowed.

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