



TO OUR VALUED CLIENTS:

QAI is committed to delivering the highest quality of certification services to its clients. This means maintaining the stringent requirements of its ISO 65 and EN 45011 accreditations while aligning itself to the National Organic Program's (NOP) final regulation. To this end QAI has updated its Organic Certification Program and adopted the Organic Foods Production Act (OFPA) of 1990/7 CFR Part 205 as it's official standard for U.S. certification of food and food products.

The Organic Certification Program for the year 2001 has been posted on QAI's website at www.qai-inc.com . All clients are invited to download from the QAI website any and all information which would be pertinent to their business.

The OFPA of 1990/7 CFR Part 205 is going to be the official Standard for U.S. organic certification. You will also find links to NOP/7 CFR Part 205 on the QAI website.

For products that fall outside the scope of the NOP, QAI plans to certify to the American Organic Standards (Version 1, October 20, 1999). A link is available on the website.

QAI's forthcoming Policy Manual will be posted on the website. The manual should clarify points in the NOP; and define QAI policy with regards to issues not covered in the standards.

Please remember that as a certified entity you are our primary contact. It is your responsibility as a certified entity to notify all of your additional participants of any and all document updates.

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