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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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## NOTIFICATION

### Addendum

The following communication, dated 15 November 2022, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

**Title:** National Organic Program; Proposed Amendments to the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances per October 2020 and April 2021 NOSB Recommendations (Handling, Crop)

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**Description:** TITLE: Amendments to the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances per October 2020 and April 2021 NOSB Recommendations (Handling, Crops)

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

ACTION: Final rule

SUMMARY: This rule amends the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (National List) section of the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) organic regulations to implement recommendations submitted to the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary) by the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB). This rule allows low-acyl gellan gum, a food additive used as a thickener, gelling agent, and stabilizer, as an ingredient in processed organic products. This rule also allows

<sup>1</sup> This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained.

paper- based crop planting aids for organic crop production. Finally, this rule replaces the term "wood resin" on the National List with the term "wood rosin" to reflect the popular spelling of the substance.

This rule is effective on 14 December 2022.

This final rule and the proposed rule notified as [G/TBT/N/USA/1829](#) are identified by Docket Number AMS-NOP-21-0060. The Docket Folder is available from Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/AMS-NOP-21-0060/document> and provides access to primary documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](#) by searching the Docket Number.

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