

**FORMAL RECOMMENDATION BY THE
NATIONAL ORGANIC STANDARDS BOARD (NOSB)
TO THE NATIONAL ORGANIC PROGRAM (NOP)**

Date: May 31, 2006

Subject: **Sunset Review - 205.603; Synthetic substances allowed for use in organic livestock production**

Chair: Kevin R. O'Rell

Recommendation

The NOSB hereby recommends to the NOP the following:

Rulemaking Action: XXXXX

Guidance Statement: -

Other: _____

Statement of the Recommendation:

See attached Recommendation for Renewal of Hydrated Lime as Synthetic substances allowed for use in organic livestock production on 205.603, category use (b) as topical treatment, external parasiticide or local anesthetic as applicable.

NOSB Vote:

Moved: Hue Karreman

Second: Andrea Caroe

Yes – 12

No – 0

Abstain – 0

Absent- 2

Rationale Supporting Recommendation:

NOSB Sunset Material Vote

Response by the NOP:

**National Organic Standards Board
Livestock Committee
Final Recommendation for the Synthetic substances allowed for use in
organic livestock production**

April 20, 2006

Category Use

(b) As topical treatment, external parasiticide or local anesthetic as applicable.

Committee Summary:

Several commentors supported the continued listing of hydrated lime. One commentor objected to the continued listing of hydrated lime stating it is too harsh of a chemical to allow for direct contact with animals as a pest control agent, and it is hazardous to the humans who handle it. The Committee agrees with the commentors recommending the continuation of hydrated lime from the National List.

NOSB Recommendation(s):

Recommendations Made that are Based upon Comments Received – 205.603(b)

The NOSB recommends to renew the following substances:

(4) Lime, hydrated—as external pest control, not permitted to cauterize physical alterations or deodorize animal wastes.

Moved: Hue Karreman

Second: Andrea Caroe

Board vote: Yes – 12 No – 0 Abstain – 0 Absent - 2