



## Commercial Availability Search: Ingredients & Processing Aids

### VOF Producer Information:

Business name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person and title: \_\_\_\_\_

### Background Information:

The only non-organically produced agricultural ingredients and processing aids allowed for use in products labeled as "organic" are those found on the National List §[205.606](#). All 205.606 listed products must be sourced organically unless not commercially available<sup>1</sup> in the form, quality or quantity needed. 205.606 listed products must always be used in accordance with the National List annotations.

Select nonorganic non-agricultural ingredients and processing aids that appear on the National List §[205.605](#) are only allowed in products labeled "organic" or "made with organic" when organic forms are not commercially available<sup>1</sup>. Additionally, the ingredient or processing aid must be used in accordance with the National List annotations. Please see the National List §205.605 regarding specific ingredients and processing aids that require a commercial availability search, in accordance with their annotation.

If an organic version is commercially available, it must be used. Cost cannot be a factor in determining commercial availability. Producers must document their search for commercial availability. This template may be used for this purpose, though producers may also maintain commercial availability search documentation separately.

<sup>1</sup> **Commercially available.** *The ability to obtain a production input in an appropriate form, quality, or quantity to fulfill an essential function.*

### Instructions:

List at least three manufacturers/suppliers whom you've contacted to source an organic version of each ingredient or processing aid from. In the search results column include the reason(s) why the organic version was not commercially available (form, quality, or quantity). Record contact method (email, phone) and date of search.

Ingredient or processing aid name:			
Manufacturer/Supplier	Search results	Contact method	Date