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## Natural Flavor Affidavit

**CCOF Client:** Submit this affidavit for each nonorganic flavor used in your organic products. Forward this affidavit to the flavor manufacturer. They must complete and sign this form. Search for approved materials on [MyCCOF.org](http://MyCCOF.org).

**Flavor Manufacturer:** Fill out this form so CCOF can review this material for the CCOF certified client's use.

**A.** Nonorganic flavor name/code: \_\_\_\_\_

Manufacturer Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Attach either a copy of the label disclosing **all non-flavoring ingredients of the flavor**, a copy of the MSDS (if all ingredients are disclosed), or a current statement which discloses all ingredients.     Attached

**B.** The flavor listed above conforms to the following criteria: **True**    **False**

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| 1) Genetically modified organisms were <b>not</b> used in the production of this material. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2) Irradiation was <b>not</b> used in the production of this material.                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3) Sewage sludge was <b>not</b> used in the production of this material.                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**C. FDA Definition of Natural Flavors** *FDA 21 CFR Part 101.22(a)(3): "... natural flavor or natural flavoring means the essential oil, oleoresin, essence or extractive, protein hydrolysate, distillate, or any product of roasting, heating or enzymolysis, which contains the flavoring constituents derived from a spice, fruit or fruit juice, vegetable or vegetable juice, edible yeast, herb, bark, bud, root, leaf or similar plant material, meat, seafood, poultry, eggs, dairy products, or fermentation products thereof, whose significant function in food is flavoring rather than nutritional."*

- 1) Do all **flavor** constituents meet the FDA definition of a natural flavor (see above)?     Yes     No, Prohibited
- 2) Flavors may only be **extracted** with nonsynthetic\*, non-petroleum based solvents. No hydrocarbon solvents, or chlorinated, or halogenated solvents may be used. Propane, hexane, and freon are examples of prohibited solvents. Allowed natural extraction solvents include water, natural ethanol, super-critical carbon dioxide, authentic essential oil, and natural vegetable oils.
- a) Are natural flavor constituent(s) made using NOP-suitable extraction solvents\*?  
 Yes     No, Prohibited     N/A, none used
- b) Solvent used to extract natural flavor: \_\_\_\_\_

**D.** Natural flavors must not contain any **synthetic\*\* carrier systems** or any **artificial preservatives** including synthetic processing aids, emulsifiers or antioxidants. Prohibited substances include but are not limited to: propylene glycol, polyglycerol esters of fatty acids, mono- and di-glycerides, benzoic acid, polysorbate 80, medium chain triglycerides, BHT, BHA, triacetin, etc. All non-flavor components must be either organic, nonsynthetic\*, or on the National List.

- 1) Carrier system(s): \_\_\_\_\_  N/A    Source Material: \_\_\_\_\_
- a) If glycerin is a carrier/solvent, was it produced by hydrolysis of fats and oils?  
 Yes     NA, not used     No, Prohibited
- b) If maltodextrin is a carrier, were enzymes primarily responsible for hydrolysis?  
 Yes     NA, not used     No, Prohibited
- 2) Preservative/Other ingredient: \_\_\_\_\_  N/A    Source Material: \_\_\_\_\_
- a) Was citric acid produced by microbial fermentation of a carbohydrate substance?  
 Yes     NA, not used     No, Prohibited
- 3) Other additive/ingredient: \_\_\_\_\_  N/A    Source Material: \_\_\_\_\_

**E.** I am qualified to assess the validity of the statements in sections B, C, and D and the statements in Sections B, C, and D regarding the flavor produced by my company are true to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Manufacturer Representative's Name & Title (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Manufacturer Representative's Authorized Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**\*Non-synthetic (natural).** A substance that is derived from mineral, plant, or animal matter; does not undergo a synthetic process as defined in section 6502(21) of the Act (7 U.S.C. 6502(21)). Non-synthetic is used as a synonym for natural.

**\*\*Synthetic.** A substance that is formulated or manufactured by a chemical process or by a process that chemically changes a substance extracted from naturally occurring plant, animal, or mineral sources, except that such term shall not apply to substances created by naturally occurring biological process.

