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Good Day All - *Please tell me if you want off this list - happy to reduce stress derived from email!*

HAPPY NEW YEAR AND . . .

*Sorry I disappeared – I changed computer servers and wiped out my address book.
It has taken until now to re-build my contact list. Computers!*

TODAY'S NEWS:

1 – 2007 – “Organic” Cosmetic Standards . . .

2 – Highlight: Oh, Oh Organic has its own line of reference formulas.

3 – Tip #14 for buying organic ingredients – A New Certificate!

1 – 2007 – “Organic” Cosmetic Standards . . .

As many of you may know, I have been working (first with OTA and now with NSF) to “collectively” write an “Organic Cosmetic” Standard that will allow you to use some of the necessary tools that the NOP Regulation does not allow. There are about 20 of us (give or take) have been working for over 6 years. I think it is getting close to finished, however, I am unsure if this Standard contains the minimum necessary tools. (I just sell the ingredients, I’m not a chemist or formulator so you need to make this call.)

SO HERE IS THE DEAL - when NSF issues the “DRAFT” Standard for comment – you need to read (at least the materials list) and COMMENT!!! Open your mouths and tell the committee that worked on the Standard if it is reasonable and if it will allow you to produce a functional, safe product that contains “organic” ingredients. I will make sure you are all aware of its publication and how to comment. You’ll get a NEWS FLASH from Oh, Oh.

It is important to realize that there are a number of other “Standards”; Eco-Cert, BDIH, Soil Association, etc. They are all private (not laws) and each somewhat reflects a different agenda. The NSF group contains every type of manufacturer from the largest in the “Natural” category, to the smallest. The Standard SHOULD fall somewhere in the middle and represent the needs of the community.

There is another thing to consider – when this NSF Standard comes out it will be offered by various certifiers, and each will have a slightly different view and method of implementation. Not to mention that there will be other, new, “Standards”. Explore and compare the certifiers these certifications. Be a good shopper!

2 – Highlight: Oh, Oh Organics own line of reference formulas.

I am very proud to announce that I have hired a (fabulous) PhD formulator to begin to produce a series of formulas using the ingredients offered by Oh, Oh Organic. Please let me know if you are interested in a specific type of formula – we currently have a lip balm formula available that meets the NOP “made with” category.

3 – Tip #14 for buying organic ingredients – NEW CERTIFIER FOR Oh, Oh!

The European chemical laws are moving at a breakneck speed – to address a small part of this, Oh, Oh has changed certifiers to a company that can offer certification for our ingredients that are intended for sale in the EU; Stellar Certification. At this point, we will only offer a few of these EU materials, but over time it is my hope that all Oh, Oh products will be certified to the EU Standard. Please let me know if you need a new certificate, it will be available in about two weeks.

Take care of the future now –

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