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Re: Compliance of Munger Horticultural Vinegar Plus to the Canadian Organic Standard

This letter states the result of a review of **Munger Horticultural Vinegar Plus** evaluated to the Canadian Organic Standard (<a href="http://www.cog.ca/index.php?page=organic-standards">http://www.cog.ca/index.php?page=organic-standards</a>). The criteria below gives the reasoning as to why this product meets the criteria:

Two components comprise this product: acetic acid and yucca schidigera

The COS permits the use of **acetic acid** as a crop production aid for the following uses: As an adjuvant and pH regulation (32.311:4.3)

As a weed controlling agent (SIC interpretation REF172)

The acetic acid has been confirmed to not be the product of a genetically modified organism.

32.311: 4.3 permits PLANT EXTRACTS such as **yucca schidigera** unless specifically restricted or prohibited. The only synthetic solvents permitted for extraction are potassium hydroxide and sodium hydroxide with the former preferred and the need to use the latter given. September 24, 2014 – Reviewer confirmed with manufacturer that nothing is used to extract this product – it is a 'natural extraction'.

If you have any further questions about the review of Munger Horticultural Vinegar Plus, please don't hesitate to contact myself.

Sincerely,

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