NASAA Certified Organic Inspectors Training Test (USDA NOP Standard)

Dear Inspectors,

Further to your USDA NOP Standard training by Mr. Wenpeng Luke You, please complete the following test. Please note it is open book test. Please mention the relevant USDA NOP Standard reference. Please complete all answers in English.

1) Please explain the difference between '100% Organic', 'Organic', 'Made with Organic Ingredients' with examples under USDA NOP Standard

2) As per the USDA NOP, what are the excluded methods in Organic Production and Handling (refer to §205.104)

3) Explain the land conversion requirements under the USDA NOP.

- 4) What are the C: N Ratio and Temperature requirements for making compost under the USDA NOP?
- 5) Under the USDA NOP, Can non organically produced seeds used? Under what condition?

- 6) Example: A dairy farm operation applies for the USDA NOP Certification on 01 January 2014. Pre assessment of the OMP is completed on 15 January 2014. Inspection is carried out on 01 February 2014. The last prohibited inputs application on the farm is on 12 June 2008. The management of the farm is found compliant with the USDA NOP standards and issued the full USDA NOP Organic certification from 01 January 2014. On the basis of this information, please answer the following questions:
 - a) Can calves born on 31 January 2014 eligible for the USDA NOP Certification?
 - b) What requirements from the USDA NOP Standard you will verify to answer the question a)?

7) Where would you find the guidance on the Dry matter intake for Access to Pasture Rules?

8) Can the USDA NOP Seal be used on the products certified under 'Made with Organic Category'? Can the certifier's logo/seal be used on the products certified under 'Made with Organic Category'?

9) Can the USDA NOP Seal be used on the products certified under the 'Livestock Feed' category?

10) List the steps involved in the USDA NOP Certification (E.g Application \rightarrow Inspection)

11) List different parts of the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances.

- 12) Please confirm whether the following synthetic substances are allowed under the USDA NOP for Crop Production? Also include any specific conditions.
 - a) Copper Sulphate
 - b) Ammonium Carbonate
 - c) Sodium Selenate
 - d) Micronutrients

- 13) Please confirm whether the following synthetic substances are allowed under the USDA NOP for Livestock? Also include any specific conditions.
 - a) Vaccines
 - b) Glycerine
 - c) Lidocaine
 - d) Strychnine

14) List different boiler additives allowed under the USDA NOP Standards

15) What is the specific condition on the use of Sodium Hydroxide?

16) What reference number in the USDA NOP Standard you will use to access Nonorganically produced agricultural products allowed as ingredients in or on processed products labelled as "organic."?

17) What information is required to be included for the notification of noncompliance and proposed suspension for the USDA NOP Standard?

18) What different tests may be included under periodic residue testing required by the USDA NOP?

19) Can operators file an appeal for the proposed suspension and denial of certification? What are the timeframes to lodge an appeal?

- 20) Can 'Yeast' be sold as Organic under the USDA NOP? What are the conditions?
- 21) Where would you find 'Instructions' to collect samples? Please list the conditions for 'When to collect samples' from the instruction document.

22) Under the product certified to the 'Organic' category, 95% of the ingredients must be Certified Organic Agricultural Products. What ingredients can make rest of the 5%?

23) Please confirm whether the following recipe is eligible to be certified under the 'Organic' category:

Baking Mix Formulation (1000 LB	
Organic Flour	700 lbs
Organic shortening	150 lbs
Organic non-fat dry milk	100 lbs
Organic corn starch	12 lbs
Cream of Tartar	15 lbs
(Potassium acid tartrate)	
Ammonium bicarbonate	13 lbs
Salt	10 lbs
Total	1000lbs

25) How many ingredients you may list on the products certified under 'Made with' category?