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The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) has declared 2015 as the "International Year of Soils – Healthy Soils for a Healthy Life" in order to increase awareness and

understanding of the importance of the soil for food security and essential ecosystem functions. <a href="http://www.fao.org/soils-2015/en/">http://www.fao.org/soils-2015/en/</a>

### José Graziano da Silva, FAO Director-General:

"We speak a lot about the importance of sustainable food systems for healthy lives. Well, it starts with soils. Soils are our silent allies in food production. Soils are essential for growing our food, yet they have no voice and few people speak out for them. Soils constitute the foundation of vegetation and agriculture. Forests need it to grow. We need it for food, feed, fiber, fuel and much more. We need healthy soils to achieve our food security and nutrition goals, to fight climate change and to



ensure overall sustainable development. We now have adequate platforms to raise awareness on the importance of healthy soils and to advocate for sustainable soil management. Let us use them."

## CDFA's OIM Program is now accredited as ISO

Two of Biomassters Global products, **MicroSoil®** and **Pristine<sup>TM</sup> Soil Supplement Concentrate**, are approved by the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) as Organic Input Materials (OIM) in the State of California, meaning that California growers are able to use them as input materials for growing their organic produce. **CDFA's OIM program is also recently accredited to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 17965 requirements.** *The official ISO announcement reads:* 





The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) is pleased to announce the Feed, Fertilizer and Livestock Drugs Regulatory Services (FFLDRS) Branch's Organic Input Material (OIM) program was accredited in March 2015 to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 17065 requirements. The United States Department of Agriculture

(USDA) – Agriculture Marketing Services accreditation confirms the CDFA's OIM program is a reputable third party entity capable of evaluating OIMs that are to be used in organic crop and food production.

Fertilizing materials distributed in California that are suitable for use as an OIM must be registered with CDFA. In order to be registered as an OIM, CDFA must review the product and determine that it meets USDA

- National Organic Program (NOP) standards. The program currently has reviewed and approved over 1,200 OIMs for use in California. The public may check of the status of any fertilizing product by accessing the programs web site at <a href="http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/is/ffldrs/fertilizer\_OIM.html">http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/is/ffldrs/fertilizer\_OIM.html</a>. A list of approved products is also available on the program's website. The legislation was designed to address concerns about integrity of fertilizing materials marketed for use in certified organic growing. In accordance with the Food and Agricultural Code, OIM products cannot be distributed in California unless they are registered with the CDFA.

## Our Global Organic Certification Agencies & Affiliates

#### Can GMOs Be Used in Organic Products?

The use of genetic engineering, or genetic modified organisms (GMOs), is prohibited in certified organic products. This means an organic farmer can't plant GMO seeds, an organic cow can't eat GMO alfalfa or corn, and an organic soup producer can't use any GMO ingredients. To meet the organic regulations, farmers and processors must show they aren't using GMOs and that they are protecting their products from contact with prohibited substances, such as GMOs, from farm to table. (USDA – United States Department of Agriculture)

http://blogs.usda.gov/2013/05/17/organic-101-can-gmos-be-used-in-organic-products/

Since 1996, Biomassters Global has taken all precautions that our products are MADE WITHOUT THE USE OF GMO INGREDIENTS. All of our Organic Certification Agencies and Affiliates (Oregon Tilth, CCOF, CDFA, Organic Certifiers, OKOP, IFOAM Organics International, and BioNutrient Food Association) prohibit the intentional use of GMOs. DISCLAIMER: Biomassters Global, Inc. hereby attests that conscientious precautions are taken to ensure that all products are manufactured without the intentional use of GMO and PGR ingredients.



Oregon Tilth has approved **MicroSoil®** for use in approved Oregon Tilth Organic System Plans as a Soil Amendment under the National Organic Program (NOP) Standards. No use restriction is applied to this product. Oregon Tilth is recognized in the USA, Canada, Mexico, the European Union, Japan, Taiwan and Korea.



All MicroSoil® Life Enriching Agriculture Products are CCOF (California Certified Organic Farmers) approved to be used as Organic Input Material (OIM) for growing organic food crops. CCOF is recognized in the USA, Canada, Mexico and the European Union.



Two of Biomassters Global products, **MicroSoil®** and **Pristine<sup>TM</sup> Soil Supplement Concentrate**, are CDFA (California Department of Food and Agriculture) approved to be used as Organic Input Material (OIM) for growing organic food crops in the State of California.



Biomassters Global's CDFA-approved MicroSoil® and Pristine<sup>TM</sup> Soil Supplement Concentrate products are also approved by Organic Certifiers to be used as Organic Input Material (OIM) for growing organic food crops in the State of California.

**Oregon Tilth, CCOF, CDFA and Organic Certifiers** are governed by the Authority of the USDA National Organic Program (NOP) standards. CDFA's OIM program is also recently accredited to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 17965 requirements.





**MicroSoil®** is approved by the European Council of Agriculture Ministers agency OKOP to be used as Organic Input Material (OIM) for growing organic agriculture in all European Union countries. Organic agriculture grown in the EU carries the "Euro-Leaf" Organic Label (12 stars arrayed in a leaf design on a green background).

Biomassters Global is an Affiliate Member of IFOAM (International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements), which focuses on the worldwide adoption of ecologically, socially and economically sound systems that are based on the prinicples of organic agriculture.

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Biomassters Global is a member of the Bionutrient Food Association, which focuses on improving food quality and increasing crop nutrient content, while helping farmers and growers make their operations more lucrative and sustainable.

