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To Whom It May Concern:

This is in response to your inquiry concerning GMO status of Malic and/or Fumaric Acid manufactured by Tate & Lyle Ingredients Americas, LLC.

This product is not produced from plant material; therefore a statement about genetic engineering/modification status is not applicable.

Malic Acid and Fumaric Acid are manufactured using Maleic Anhydride as the starting material. Maleic Anhydride is a by-product of the petrochemical industry. This is a synthetic process.

The Malic and/or Fumaric Acid does not meet the definition of a genetically modified organism under EC regulations 1829 and 1830/2003 and therefore does not require labelling as GMO.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact us at (800)348-7414.

Kindest Regards,

Heather Broers

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