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## LOCUST BEAN GUM STATEMENT OF "NATURAL INGREDIENT"

The USDA's definition of "natural" is as follows:

"A product containing no artificial ingredient or added color and is minimally processed (a process which does not fundamentally alter the raw product) may be labeled natural. The label must explain the use of the term natural (such as – no added colorings or artificial ingredients; minimally processed.)"

Locust Bean Gum is obtained from the endosperm of kernels found in pods that grow from the carob tree (Ceratonia Siliqua), found in areas around the Mediterranean.

We feel that the components and careful control exercised throughout the above process complies with the definition of natural.