

Organic Statement

To Whom It May Concern:

We hereby state that the Ajinomoto Monosodium Glutamate (MSG) as sold by Ajinomoto North America, Inc. is an approved food ingredient generally recognized as safe (GRAS) per the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (21 CFR 182.1), and is allowed in USDA regulated products (9 CFR 424.21(c)). Our MSG product is 'food-grade', is processed utilizing Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), and meets or exceeds purity specifications outlined in the 6th edition of the Food Chemical Codex monograph.

At present, the Ajinomoto MSG is not 'certified organic'. However, in our reading of the U.S. regulations governing 'organic food products', it would appear that MSG may be used as part of non-certified organic ingredients allowed in "made with" Organic foods. The use of such label descriptor is a decision to be solely made by individuals within your organization in discussion with your accredited organic certifying agent.

Please feel free to contact us if there are any questions.

Best regards,



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