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Subjects:- 1) Certification of sub-contracted processing units

2) Stock closing requirements

Ref. No.:- ORG/Advisory/2018 dated 18/4/2018 from APEDA

Dear valued operator,

Greetings from Aditi Organic Certifications Pvt. Ltd.

Please be informed on the following:

1) Certification of sub-contracted processing units

Please be informed that as per APEDA's latest advisory note dated 18.4.2018, a sub-contracted unit of an operator must be certified on its own and receive its own organic scope certificate. Hence, the sub-contracted units are to be certified separately and a scope certificate is to be issued in their name even if they are sub- contracted by another certified unit. Regarding operators with existing scope certificates who have multiple processing units, during the renewal process the certification will take place unit wise. This is applicable to NOP, USDA certified operators.

Any transaction from these units will take place through a transaction certificate. Accordingly, a separate scope must be issued for each processing unit; either main or sub-contract unit on Tracenet.

2) Stock closing requirements

Operators are instructed to request for stock closing within one month of the actual harvest of the product to carry out the work on time. This is based on the APEDA norm that stock closing is to be claimed within three months of the actual harvest of the product.

We hope to have informed you sufficiently in this regard

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