



Compost Approval Letter

Vermont Organic Farmers, LLC (VOF)

Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont (NOFA -VT)

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Karl Hammer
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Re: Vermont Organic Farmers Approval of the following compost and compost based products:

Fort Vee
Fort Light
Manure Compost
Perennial Blend
Compost Plus
Jolly Roger
Custom Blends

To Whom It May Concern:

We have received and reviewed the procedures for producing compost from Vermont Compost Company (VCC) located in Montpelier, Vermont. We have also conducted an on-site inspection to verify compost production practices. Vermont Organic Farmers (VOF) has found the compost products and compost based products, as listed above, to be in compliance with the National Organic Program compost regulations. This means that producers certified by VOF may use the above VCC compost and compost based products without the waiting period that accompanies the use of raw manure. Vermont Compost Company products are considered approved for two years, thru to October 25, 2024.

Please note that the NOP has indicated that the use of the word "organic" to describe a product must be limited to those products that are certified organic under the National Organic Standards. In order to be certified a product must be agricultural. Compost and compost based products are not considered agricultural under the NOP Rule. Compost producers whose products are approved by VOF under the standards may describe their products as "Approved for use on organic farms by Vermont Organic Farmers" and use the VOF "Approved for use on Organic Farms" compost logo on non-certified product promotional materials or advertising. VOF does not allow the use of the VOF Certified Organic logo on non-certified product promotional materials or advertising.

Sincerely,

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