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Ms. Michelle Arsenault Advisory Committee Specialist National Organic Standards Board, USDA-AMS-NOP 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Room 2642-S, Mail Stop 0268 Washington, DC 20250-0268

Docket: AMS-NOP-16-0049

Re: Policy Development Subcommittee Proposal: Sunset Review—Efficient Workload Reorganization

October 25, 2016

Dear Ms. Arsenault and NOSB Members,

CCOF (California Certified Organic Farmers) thanks the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB) for the opportunity to comment on the Policy Development Subcommittee's proposal on sunset reorganization to make NOSB's workload more efficient.

CCOF is a nonprofit organization founded in 1973 that advances organic agriculture for a healthy world through organic certification, education, advocacy, and promotion. CCOF is based in Santa Cruz, California, and represents more than 3,000 certified organic members in 42 states and three countries.

CCOF supports the system put forth by the Policy Development Subcommittee to redistribute materials for sunset review so that there is a more even distribution of evaluations in each year of the five-year review cycle.

Thank you for considering our input. Please contact us if you would like further information or clarifications.

Sincerely,

Cathy Calfo, Executive Director/CEO

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