

Canada Organic Regime: International Update (December 2007)

1. List of countries exporting/importing organic products to/from Canada (57)

Argentina Australia Bolivia Bosnia Brazil Cambodia Chile China Colombia Costa Rica Cuba Dominican Republic Ecuador Egypt El Salvador	European Union (15) Austria Belgium Finland Germany Hungary Ireland Italy Netherlands Norway Spain Sweden United Kingdom (England & Scotland) France Greece	Ethiopia Guatemala Iran India Indonesia Israël Japan Korea New Zealand Nicaragua Madagascar Mexico Morocco Papua New Guinea Panama Paraguay	Peru Philippines South Africa Sri Lanka Switzerland Thailand Tunisia Turkey Uganda United States of America Vietnam
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2. List of countries that have applied for Equivalency Determination: Status (20)

Country	Date of Application	COO submission	Next steps
United States	July 2007	September 2007	Meeting planned in January 2008
EU(13)	N/A	December 2006	Meeting planned in January 2008
Japan	October 2007	November 2007	COO completing comparison tables - January 2008
New Zealand	September 17, 2007	October 05, 2007	Awaiting response on assessment from New Zealand
Switzerland	May 22, 2007	October 17, 2007	Awaiting response on assessment from Switzerland

Costa Rica	September 10, 2007	November 11, 2007	Awaiting response of assessment from Costa Rica.
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3. List of countries that will be sent a questionnaire to determine intentions (37)

All countries identified in List 1, and not identified in List 2, will be contacted. They will be provided an overview of the COR and will be asked to fill out a survey to determine their intention (type of application, date of application, etc...) regarding certification.

The choices are:

- 1) Regulated Regime with country as competent authority;
- 2) No Regulated Regime, certification oversight accomplished by Accreditation bodies; and
- 3) No Regulated Regime, no Accreditation Bodies, certification done by independent Certification Bodies.