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To whom it may concern

Re: JASCERT Succeeding OCIA Japan's Certification Business

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Here Japan Agricultural Standard Certification Alliance (JASCERT) (Tokyo, Japan) announce regarding succeeding OCIA Japan's certification work. OCIA Japan finished its organic certification business in Japan on March 31, 2022 and transfer this business to JASCERT on April 1, 2022.

Even after April 1, the certification of operators certified by OCIA Japan is valid as certified operators by JASCERT.

This transfer was notified to the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) on April 1 based on the JAS Law.

About the labelling we explain as follows.

1. JAS certified products and export products using equivalency agreement  
For a while, to some countries, the label named OCIA Japan will be used, but it has been approved under JASCERT.  
From April 1, labels are shipped sequentially under the name of JASCERT, and all labels will be the name of JASCERT through the transition period.
2. NOP/COR Certified Products by OCIA International  
NOP/COR certification by OCIA International is still certified by OCIA International, no change about its status, and there are no label changes.

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