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General Comment

Keep in mind that people who have severe and life threatening allergies rely on the accuracy of the certification process to insure that an item is "safe" for consumption. The idea of not being strict about the process of certifying something organic and potentially omitting or "hiding" added ingredients and not stating their presence is criminal and lethal!!! EXAMPLE: Do not allow companies to add aspartame to milk... it would not be certifiably organic milk, and it is criminal to deliberately "hide" ingredients - especially ingredients that are clinically proven to be a toxin for those allergic to it! Those of us who care about what goes into our families bodies depend upon the honesty and integrity of the certification process for organic foods. We have to pay a premium price for organic foods... and part of the reason we are willing to pay is because I want to know that the foods my children consume are indeed "safe" for them.