USDA Accredited Certifying Agents that Operate in the Carolinas

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The following is a listing of certifying agents that were working with farms and handlers in the Carolinas at the time of publishing (Sept. 2012). This list is in no way inclusive and is not intended as an endorsement for these certifiers. Rather, it represents what organizations others seeking certification in your state have used and it may help in narrowing down your search.

Be aware that this listing may become inaccurate in the years after publishing. Click here to visit the NOP webpage that provides a regularly updated state-by-state PDF listing of where certifying agents have recently provided certification services.

Click here to view/download the September 2012 NOP certifying agent listing by state.

Also on the NOP webpage is a link to a database that lists all operations that are currently certified organic. Here you can search by state and the operations primary scope (crops, livestock, handling or wild crops) to find out what certifying agents regional organic crop farmers are using.

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2425 South Milledge Ave, Athens, GA 30605
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International Certification Services (ICS)
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