



# Expedited Service Program

## *When you need Organic Certification Quickly!*

MOSA staff strives to give our clients prompt and efficient service. We generally process applications in the order in which they are received, and the certification process takes approximately three to six months from the time you submit your complete application to the time that MOSA staff grants the certification.

Our Expedited Service is available for approved *new* applicants who would like to accelerate the certification process. If you need **certification in under 3 months** from the time MOSA receives your completed application, the Expedited Service Fee should be added to your Certification Fees. *(Note that we cannot Expedite an application whose certification is in suspension with another certification agency or with MOSA).*

### **What does Expedited Service Guarantee?**

- Your application will be our top priority. To begin, MOSA staff will work closely with you to determine if we can meet your timing needs. Once we have received and approved your complete application and payment, an inspector will be assigned; s/he will arrange the soonest possible inspection date that works for both of your schedules.
- After the inspection occurs, the inspector will submit the inspection report to MOSA within 2 business days
- MOSA certification staff will review the inspection report and either identify outstanding issues or grant certification within 5 business days.

### **What is NOT guaranteed by Expedited Service?**

Certification by a particular date. MOSA staff will work diligently to complete the areas of the certification process that we have control over, but it must be recognized that we are dependent on YOUR timeliness and commitment to provide MOSA the information required to make an organic certification determination.

### **How much does Expedited Service Cost?**

- \$450 for Producers, Crops and Livestock
- \$1200 for Producer-Handlers, Crops and Livestock
- 1200 for Handlers
- Inspection and annual certification fees also apply (see fee schedule). It should be noted that Expedited Service may incur higher than normal inspection costs depending on your location and inspector availability.
- This fee is nonrefundable.

### **What if I have a fairly urgent need but choose not to take advantage of this program?**

MOSA will process your application as efficiently as possible, but in the order that it is received. We work hard to grant certification to new applicants in a timely manner, but we cannot guarantee a deadline.

### **How do I get started?**

Contact us! MOSA staff will work closely with you to see if Expedited Service is possible by evaluating inspector availability, internal capacity, and other factors. Once this is approved, your completed application and full payment of the Expedited Service fee will get the process started. Call us at 844-637-2526.