USDA approves Non-GMO Project's label claims

The following is an edited excerpt.

The Agriculture Department has approved a label for meat and liquid egg products that includes a claim about the absence of genetically engineered products.

It is the first time that the department, which regulates meat and poultry processing, has approved a non-G.M.O. label claim, which attests that meat certified by the Non-GMO Project came from animals that never ate feed containing genetically engineered ingredients like corn, soy and alfalfa.

The U.S.D.A. vetted the Non-GMO Project's standards, requirements and auditing processes before giving its approval.

Read the full story here: <u>U.S. Approves a Label for Meat From Animals Fed a Diet Free of Gene-</u> Modified Products

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This first-of-it's-kind decision by the U.S. Agriculture Department is part of a string of GM-labeling legislative efforts. One of the first states to adopt — provisionally — a GM-labeling law was Connecticut:

"Connecticut passes GMO labeling law... sort of," Biofortified Blog

A story about the fear and confusion that happened when a GM warning label showed up on Kraft macaroni and cheese in Britain:

"A Suspect Food Warning in Britain Spreads an Alarm," New York Times