# **CERTIFIED COMPOSTS BUILD HEALTHY SOIL!**

- Compost supplies valuable organic matter and nutrients to soil
- Compost improves soil structure and porosity, ensuring a healthier plant root environment
- Compost increases the water holding capacity of soil, reducing watering needs
- Compost stabilizes pH and improves the soil's ability to hold nutrients
- Compost can help in binding and degrading some pollutants

# **CERTIFIED COMPOST THROUGH** THE SEAL OF TESTING **ASSURANCE PROGRAM...**

- Provides independent monitoring of compost quality
- Was developed through funds provided by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Is supported by the US Department of Agriculture
- It's the only national certification program for commercially manufactured compost

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### Compost: Nature's Way to Grow

For more information on STA/Certified Compost please visit: www.certifiedcompost.com OR www.compostingcouncil.org



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Certified Compost STA Seal of Testing

**IMPROVE YOUR SOIL WITH CERTIFIED COMPOST FROM** THE SEAL OF TESTING ASSURANCE (STA) PROGRAM.

IF IT ISN'T CERTIFIED COMPOST... WHAT IS IT?



# HOW DOES THE STA PROGRAM WORK?

Compost products are regularly tested based on production tonnage. This assures ongoing feedback on the compost quality and helps assure the production of consistent, high quality products.

Testing is completed by certified labs specializing in compost analysis. Assuring that reliable analytical data is being generated.

# Test results must be made available

upon request using the STA 'Compost Technical Data Sheet'. So you know what you are buying. Proper compost use directions are provided

to each customer – So you know how to use the product.

Certified Compost products must meet all related product quality and testing requirements prescribed by state and/or federal regulations. Assuring that you purchase a safe, eco-friendly product.

### SEAL OF TESTING ASSURANCE (STA) CERTIFIED COMPOST WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY BY...

- Helping you purchase the compost products that you require for your specific project.
- Assuring that you know the beneficial characteristics of the compost that you purchase.
- Assisting you to properly utilize the compost that you purchase.

# USE CERTIFIED COMPOST IN ALL OF YOUR LANDSCAFE AND GARDENING PROJECTS

- General landscaping
- Lawn establishment and maintenance
- Flower beds
- Vegetable gardens
- Planting trees and shrubs
- Erosion control
- Agriculture
- Any place that you need soil or a soil amendment!

Improve your soil health for healthier plants with Certified Compost–**Nature's way to grow!** 

### Certified T Compost STA Seal of Testing Assurance

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