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**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE
STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANTS, ANIMALS, FOOD AND FEED
HELD IN BRUSSELS ON 27 APRIL 2016 - 28 APRIL 2016
(Section Animal Nutrition)**

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A.01 Feed Additives - Applications under Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 Art. 4 or 13.

Documents were distributed.

A.02 Feed Additives - Applications under Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 Art. 9.

A.02.1. selenium compounds (E8) as feed additives for all animal species: sodium selenite, based on a dossier submitted by Todini Vital Chemicals S.P.A.

The opinion was briefly discussed. As all opinions for the selenium compounds to be reauthorized are now available, the Commission services will draft an Annex entry for the selenium compounds to be discussed in one of the next Committees.

A.02.2. CreAMINO (Guanidinoacetic acid) for chickens for fattening, breeder hens and roosters and pigs - Annex entry

The Annex entry was discussed. A draft authorisation Regulation will be prepared for vote in one of the next meetings.

A.02.3. Methyl ester of conjugated linoleic acid (t 10, c 12 isomer) for pigs for fattening, sows and cows - supplementary information

The applicant submitted complementary information to demonstrate the efficacy in sows. It was agreed to request the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) to assess the new data.

A.02.4. Indigo carmine (E 132) for cats and dogs and ornamental fish

The representative of the Commission updated the delegations on the status of this dossier.

A.02.5. Ethyl ester of β -apo-8'-carotenoic acid as a feed additive for poultry for fattening and poultry for laying.

A representative of the Commission informed about the opinion. The applicant sent some considerations on the EFSA opinion and some information about the potential intake of this additive that was already in the application dossier. All the information provided by the applicant will be forwarded to the MS. A discussion will take place at a next meeting after the examination of the information from the applicant.

A.02.6. Vitamin B12 (cyanocobalamin) produced by *Ensifer adhaerens* when used as a feed additive for all animal species

A representative of the Commission informed about the opinion.

A.02.7. Ethoxyquin (6-ethoxy-1,2-dihydro-2,2,4-trimethylquinoline) for all animal species

The discussion continued on the measure to be taken on the basis of the EFSA's opinion. The option of a measure suspending the existing authorisation of Ethoxyquin accompanied by transitional measures under strict conditions was confirmed. A draft Implementing Regulation will be submitted accordingly for discussion at one of the next meetings of the Committee. In addition, the Committee was informed that a new set of data was submitted by the applicant and subsequently forwarded to EFSA for evaluation.

A.02.8. Probiomix B (*Lactobacillus plantarum* KKP/593/p and *Lactobacillus rhamnosus* KKP 825) as a feed additive for chickens for fattening.

A discussion was taken. Supplementary information will be requested to the applicant.

A.02.9. natural mixture of dolomite plus magnesite and magnesium-phyllsilicates (Fluidol) as feed additive for all animal species – Annex

A discussion was taken. A new Annex will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.10. RONOZYME® HiPhos (6-phytase) as a feed additive for sows and fish

A draft proposal Regulation will be submitted in a future meeting.

A.02.11. Amoklor (ammonium chloride) as a zootechnical additive for ruminants, cats and dogs - Annex

A draft proposal Regulation will be submitted in a future meeting.

A.02.12. Friedland clay (montmorillonite–illite mixed layer clay) when used as a technological additive for all animal species - Annex

A discussion was taken. A new Annex will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.13. Suilectin (*Phaseolus vulgaris* lectins) as a zootechnical additive for suckling piglets (performance enhancer)

A draft proposal Regulation will be submitted in a future meeting.

A.03 Feed marketing Regulation (EC) No 767/2009.

A.03.1. Directive 2008/38/EC establishing the list of intended uses as particular nutritional purposes – state of play of pending evaluations and new applications

A Commission representative gave an update on the pending applications. Moreover, the draft Annex entries were further discussed.

A.03.2. Revision of Annex IV, VI and VII (labelling provisions)

Further progress was made on the new texts for Annexes VI and VII. Member States are still called to submit their proposals to amend Annex IV.

A.03.3. COPA-COGECA/FEFAC Code of Good labelling practices for compound feed for food producing animals

The revised version of the Code was broadly welcomed with one comment on its Annex IV. This Annex will be amended and then again presented to the Committee.

A.04 Discussion on the application to the feed sector of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixture.

Following the discussion, it was clarified that the feed additives and premixtures of feed additives fall under the scope of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008. The web page of DG GROW will be updated by more clarifications and explanations on the beginning of 2017 to assist the feed business operators.

A.05 Discussion on items related to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 laying down requirements for feed hygiene.

This point was not discussed.

A.06 Exchange of views on measures for non-authorised additives intended for export.

This point was not discussed.

A.07 RASFF.

The Commission representative informed the Committee on the following RASFF notifications related to undesirable substances in animal feed, issued since the meeting of the Committee in February.

- aflatoxins in groundnuts for birdfeed from the United States and from Brazil
- aflatoxins in organic corn from India (2 notifications)
- dioxins in apple pomace from Ukraine
- free gossypol in cotton seed from Benin (2 notifications)
- rye ergot in rye from France
- hydrocyanic acid in linseed from Belgium
- high level of presence of harmful botanical impurities in millet from Ukraine
- high level of pirimiphos-methyl in cereal by-products from France
- mercury in dry yeast from Russia
- mercury in cat food from Thailand (4 notifications). In two notifications the reported levels are 0.53 and 0.56 mg/kg (related to 88 % dry matter) and therefore above the maximum level of 0.3 mg/kg. In two other notifications the reported levels are 0.11mg/kg and 0.12 mg/kg but reported on fresh weight basis. No direct comparison with EU maximum level which is related to 88% dry matter is possible for checking compliance. The RASFF has been requested to clarify and to ensure that in the future levels are reported in the same way as the maximum level to enable to verify compliance with - EU legislation.

In relation with the RASFF notification on the presence of the unauthorised feed additive oxytetracycline in dry brewing yeast from Russia, the request to have clear guidelines for RASFF notification was reiterated (see point A.06.2 of the report of the meeting of the Committee on 18-19 February 2016) as it is not clear why this was reported in the RASFF while another similar finding was refused for reporting through the RASFF system. The Commission representative committed to ask the responsible of the RASFF system to provide a justification for the difference in treatment.

A.08 Undesirable substances.

A.08.1. Exchange of views on a draft Recommendation on nitrites and nitrates in feed

The point was not discussed.

A.08.2. Discussion on possible changes to Commission Regulation (EC) No 709/2014 as regards the determination of the levels of dioxins and polychlorinated biphenyls in feed following the discussions in the EURL/NRL network on dioxins and PCBs

The Committee representative indicated that the proposed text has been extensively discussed and agreed in the EURL/NRL network on dioxins and PCBs. The main changes are :

- deletion of reference to use the decision limit - CC α (Commission Decision 2002/657/EC) for estimation of the measurement uncertainty.

- insertion of a reference to the guidance document on measurement uncertainty
- introduction of specific reporting requirements when physico-chemical methods are used for screening.

Furthermore, there are several other minor changes proposed along the current provisions, requiring replacing the whole Part B of Annex V to Regulation (EC) No 152/2009 to maintain the readability of the text.

The Commission representative indicated that it is foreseen that a draft Regulation will be submitted to the Committee for opinion in a future meeting. In case there would be comments on the proposed changes, the Commission representative asked to be informed thereof before mid-May 2016 in order to be able to bring these comments to the attention of the EURL/NRL network which has a meeting in the second half of May.

A.08.3. Other issues

Under this point, the entry into application of Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/786 of 19 May 2015 defining acceptability criteria for detoxification processes applied to products intended for animal feed as provided for in Directive 2002/32/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council was clarified.

The Regulation applies as from 1 July 2017. This means that from 1 July 2017 only detoxification processes which have been assessed and concluded by the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) that the detoxification process complies with the acceptability criteria established in the Regulation, can be used for the detoxification of feed. A transitional measure is foreseen for the detoxification processes for which the necessary information was provided to the Commission before 1 July 2016 and for which EFSA has not finalised the assessment by 1 July 2017, the detoxification process can be continued to be applied after 1 July 2017 pending the decision of the competent authority as regards the acceptability of the application of the detoxification process in the relevant establishment.

The representative of the Commission indicated to bring these provisions again to the attention of the European stakeholder organisations.

B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of the preparation of iron sodium tartrates as a feed additive for all animal species.

The draft Regulation is related to a new authorisation as technological additive of iron sodium tartrates. A discussion took place.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

B.02 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of benzoic

acid as a feed additive for sows (holder of the authorisation DSM Nutritional Product Sp. z.o.o.).

The draft Regulation is related to the new authorisation as zootechnical additive of benzoic acid. A discussion took place.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

B.03 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of 6-phytase produced by *Trichoderma reesei* (ATCC SD-6528) as a feed additive for poultry and porcine species (holder of authorisation Danisco (UK) Ltd).

The draft Regulation is related to the new authorisation as zootechnical additive of an enzyme preparation. A discussion took place.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

B.04 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of a preparation of *Bacillus licheniformis* (ATCC 53757) and its protease (EC 3.4.21.19) as a feed additive for chickens for fattening, chickens reared for laying and minor avian species for fattening and to point of lay and ornamental birds (holder of authorisation Novus Europe S.A. / N.V.).

The draft Regulation is related to the new authorisation as zootechnical additive of a micro-organism and its enzyme. A discussion took place.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

B.05 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of a preparation of *Bacillus subtilis* (C-3102) as a feed additive for all laying birds and ornamental fish (holder of the authorisation Asahi Calpis Wellness Co. Ltd.) and amending Commission Regulations (EC) No 1444/2006, (EU) No 333/2010 and (EU) No 184/2011 as regards the holder of the authorisation.

The draft Regulation is related to the a new authorisation of a micro-organism as zootechnical additive and to a modification of the holder of authorisation. A discussion took place.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

B.06 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of zinc bislysinate as a feed additive for all animal species.

The vote was postponed in consistency with point B.07.

Vote postponed

- B.07 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of Zinc acetate dihydrate, Zinc chloride anhydrous, Zinc oxide, Zinc sulphate heptahydrate, Zinc sulphate monohydrate, Zinc chelate of amino acids hydrate, Zinc chelate of protein hydrolysates, Zinc chelate of glycine hydrate (solid) and Zinc chelate of glycine hydrate (liquid) as feed additives for all animal species and amending Regulations (EC) No 1334/2003, (EC) No 479/2006, (EU) No 335/2010 and Implementing Regulations (EU) No 991/2012 and (EU) No 636/2013.**

An exchange of views on the draft took place. Considering that several amendments were proposed, it was decided to postpone the vote to the next meeting.

Vote postponed

- B.08 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 167/2008 as regards the name of the holder of the authorisation and the trade name of a coccidiostat.**

A discussion took place and the vote was taken.

KRKA d.d. has submitted an application in accordance with Article 13(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 proposing to change the name of the holder of the authorisation as regards Commission Regulation (EC) No 167/2008 concerning the authorisation of a coccidiostat (Kokcisan 120G).

Vote taken: Unanimity.

- B.09 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Commission Regulation (EC) 1290/2008 as regards the name of the holder of the authorisation of a preparation of Lactobacillus rhamnosus (CNCM-I-3698) and Lactobacillus farciminis (CNCM-I-3699).**

A discussion took place and the vote was taken. Danisco Ltd from UK has submitted an application in accordance with Article 13(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 proposing to change the name of the holder of the authorisation as regards Commission Regulation (EC) No 1290/2008 concerning the authorisation of a preparation of Lactobacillus rhamnosus (CNCM-I-3698) and Lactobacillus farciminis (CNCM- I-3699).

Vote taken: Unanimity.

C.01 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of alpha-terpineol, terpineol and linalyl acetate as feed additives for all animal species.

After a short discussion, the document will be proposed for possible vote.

C.02 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of octan-2-ol, isopropanol, pentan-2-ol, octan-3-ol, heptan-2-one, pentan-2-one, 6-methyl-hepta-3,5-dien-2-one, nonan-3-one, decan-2-one, Isopropyl tetradecanoate as feed additives for all animal species.

After a short discussion, the document will be proposed for possible vote.

C.03 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of glycyrrhizic acid, ammoniated as a feed additive for all animal species.

After a short discussion, the document will be proposed for possible vote.

C.04 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of 1-isopropyl- 4-methylbenzene, pin-2(10)- ene, pin-2(3)- ene, beta-caryophyllene, camphene, 1-Isopropenyl-4-methylbenzene, delta-3- careen, d-limonene as feed additives for all animal species.

After a short discussion, the document will be proposed for possible vote.

C.05 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the provisional authorisation of a preparation of formaldehyde as a feed additive for chickens for fattening, laying hens, piglets (weaned) and pigs for fattening.

A representative of the Commission presented a slightly modified version of the draft Implementing Regulation, taking into account internal Commission consultation. Further to that consultation, some re-formulation of the text is also being considered for legal clarity purpose. Therefore, a revised version of the draft Implementing Regulation will be submitted to the Committee before its next meeting.

An exchange of views took place.

C.06 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of a preparation of endo-1,4-beta-xylanase and endo-1,3(4)-beta-glucanase produced by *Trichoderma reesei* (ATCC SD-2106) as a feed additive for lactating sows and minor porcine species (holder of authorisation Danisco(UK) Ltd).

Following the discussion, some modifications were requested.

M.01 A.O.B.

A letter from the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) requesting supplementary information on the safety of vitamin D3 addition to feedingstuff for fish was distributed via the application CIRCA BC to the Member States. A representative of the Commission informed the Member States about this request from EFSA and the importance to provide data in order to complete the evaluation of this dossier.