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**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE
STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANTS, ANIMALS, FOOD AND FEED
HELD IN BRUSSELS ON 27 JUNE 2018 - 29 JUNE 2018
(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. Monimax (monensin sodium and nicarbazin) for turkeys for fattening – Annex

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.2. Coxiril® (diclazuril) for chickens reared for laying – Annex

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.3. Avatec® 150G (lasalocid A sodium) for chickens for fattening and chickens reared for laying, and modification of the terms of authorisation for chickens for fattening, chickens reared for laying, turkeys for fattening, minor avian species (pheasants, guinea fowl, quails and partridges) except laying birds

After the discussion, supplementary information will be requested to the applicant.

A.02.4. Sacox® microGranulate (salinomycin sodium) for rabbits for fattening - Annex

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.5. Coxiril® (diclazuril) for pheasants – Annex

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.6. Maxiban® G160 (narasin and nicarbazin) for chickens for fattening

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.7. ZM16 10 (*Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* DSM 25840) as a feed additive for weaned piglets and minor porcine species

After the discussion, supplementary information will be requested to the applicant.

A.02.8. EB15 10 (*Bacillus subtilis* DSM 25841) as a feed additive for weaned piglets and minor porcine species

After the discussion, supplementary information will be requested to the applicant.

A.02.9. *Lactobacillus acidophilus* D2/CSL (*Lactobacillus acidophilus* CECT 4529) as a feed additive for cats and dogs – Annex

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.10. Kelforce® (L-glutamic acid, N,N-diacetic acid, tetrasodium salt (GLDA-Na₄)) as a feed additive for chickens for fattening - Annex

After the discussion, supplementary information will be requested to the applicant.

A.02.11. Hemicell® HT (endo-1,4-bmannanase) as a feed additive for chickens for fattening, chickens reared for laying, turkey for fattening, turkeys reared for breeding, weaned piglets, pigs for fattening and minor poultry and porcine species – Annex

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.12. 3-phytase FLF1000 as a feed additive for chickens reared for laying and minor poultry species – Annex

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.13. Taminizer D (dimethylglycine sodium salt) as a feed additive for chickens for fattening – Annex

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.14. *Bacillus subtilis* KCCM 10673P and *Aspergillus oryzae* KCTC 10258BP when used as a technological feed additive for all animal species - Annex

After the discussion, a new Annex will be submitted in a future meeting.

A.02.15. alpha-amylase from *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* DSM 9553, *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* NCIMB 30251, *Aspergillus oryzae* CBS 585.94 and *Aspergillus oryzae* ATTC SD-5374, endo-1,4-beta-glucanase from *Trichoderma reesei* ATCC PTA-10001, *Trichoderma reesei* ATCC SD-6331 and *Aspergillus niger* CBS 120604, endo-1,4-beta-xylanase from *Trichoderma koningii* MUCL 39203 and *Trichoderma citrinoviride* CBS 614.94 and endo-1,3(4)-beta-glucanase from *Aspergillus tubingensis* MUCL 39199 as silage additives for all animal species – Annex

A new Annex will be presented in a future meeting. Since the opinion was inconclusive for some enzymes, it was decided to ask the applicant for supplementary information.

A.02.16. Amylofeed (endo-1,3(4)-b-glucanase and endo-1,4-b-xylanase and a-amylase) as a feed additive for piglets and minor growing porcine species – Annex

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.17. cumin tincture (*Cuminum cyminum* L.) when used as a sensory additive for all animal species - Annex

After discussion, a draft Regulation will be prepared for vote.

A.02.18. natural mixture of dolomite plus magnesite and magnesium-phyllsilicates (Fluidol) as a feed additive for all animal species

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.02.19. hydroxy analogue of methionine and its calcium salt for all animal species (EFSA-Q-2016-00370) - Annex

The Annex was discussed and a draft authorisation Act will be prepared for the next Committee meeting.

A.02.20. Sodium selenite and Zinc-L-selenomethionine for all animal species (EFSA-Q-2014-00505, EFSA-Q-2014-00507, EFSA-Q-2014-00508 and EFSA-Q-2016-00554) - Annex

The Annex was discussed and a draft authorisation Act will be prepared for the next Committee meeting.

A.02.21. L-Arginine as flavouring and nutritional additive for all animal species (EFSA-Q-2017-00480 and EFSA-Q-2017-00484) - Annex entry

After discussion, a draft Regulation will be prepared for vote.

A.02.22. copper chlorophylls - FAD 2010-0358

Member States were updated on the situation of the dossier.

A.02.23. indigo carmine - FAD 2010-0346

Member States were updated on the situation of the dossier. This item will be discussed at the PAFF Committee in September 2018. The applicant has to send the information on the method of analysis and a roadmap for the test to demonstrate safety. In case that those data would not be submitted, appropriate measures will be taken.

A.02.24. fumonisin esterase from *Komagataella phaffii* DSM 32159 as a technological feed additive for pigs and poultry - Annex

A discussion was held. A draft Regulation will be presented in a future meeting.

A.03 List of national reference laboratories (Art. 94.3 Regulation (EU) 2017/625) - Implementation deadline.

The Commission's representative informed that in accordance with Article 94(3) and 100 of the controls' Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2017/625) Member States have the obligation to designate national reference laboratories for feed additives. The deadline was until 29/04/2018. It is possible to designate a laboratory in another Member State or in a third country that is a contracting party in the European Economic Area.

A.04 Status of gelling agents in water to limit the drowning of larvae.

This item was not discussed.

A.05 List of the products considered out of the scope of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003.

Some Member States provided comments during the discussion. Due to the complexity of the matter, the discussion will continue at the next meeting. Member States were invited to provide comments on the draft.

A.06 Issues related to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 laying down requirements for feed hygiene.

After a meeting of the Working Group, the Commission's representative presented for discussion a new version of the document. A discussion was held with the Member States and the final version will be presented for endorsement in a future meeting.

A.07 Feed marketing Regulation (EC) N° 767/2009.

A.07.1. Dietetic feed (Directive 2008/38/EC) - state of play of pending evaluations and discussion of the draft Regulation for repealing the Directive

A revised draft for a Regulation was presented and the Member States were invited to comment on Part A and B.

A.07.2. Feed material classification - Butaphosphane and arbitrary entries in the Register of feed materials

The Committee discussed a document with an argumentation to consider butaphosphane as a feed material. This synthetically produced substance is included to the Annex to Regulation (EU) No 37/2010 as pharmacologically active substance and has a low LD50 and can therefore only be included in feed in very small quantities. Consequently, it cannot be considered to contribute evidently to the P-supply of the animals.

The Committee concluded that butaphosphane cannot be considered as a feed material and confirmed its assessment of November 2017.

A.07.3. Revision of the FEDIAF Code of Good Labelling Practice for pet food

Postponed due to time constraints.

A.07.4. Revision of the Copa-Cogeca/FEFAC Code of good labelling practice for compound feed for food producing animals

Postponed due to time constraints.

A.08 RASFF.

The Commission's representative informed the Committee on the RASFF notifications related to undesirable substances in animal feed, issued since the meeting of the Committee in April 2018.

The notifications related to a too high level/content of :

- aflatoxins in groundnuts from Gambia (14), Senegal (2), United States (2), Zambia (2), South Africa (1), Nicaragua (1) India (1) and Argentina (1);
- aflatoxins in sunflower seeds for bird feed from Egypt;
- ragweed (*Ambrosia* spp) in feed for pigeons from the Netherlands and in toasted soybeans from Austria;
- salinomycin in feed premix from Poland;
- dioxins in rapeseed from Ukraine, in cobalt carbonate from China and in feed premix (related to bentonite) from the Netherlands;
- lead in deer and boar meal from Slovenia;
- cadmium in copper sulphate from Peru and in zinc chelate of protein hydrolysates from the United States;
- mercury in pet food from Thailand.

The delegation of Poland informed the Committee on the investigations as regards the high level of salinomycin in feed premix but the source of the high level was not yet clarified.

The Committee was also informed of [RASFF notification 2018.1079](#) related to high levels of lasalocid in eggs from Poland, which was, according to press reports, related to the erroneously feeding of feed intended for broilers with the addition of the feed additive lasalocid sodium to laying hens. No details on this contamination incident could be provided by the delegation of Poland.

A.09 Undesirable substances.

Nitrates and nitrites

The Committee was informed of the interim report of the European Union Reference Laboratory (EURL) on metals and nitrogenous compounds as regards the state of the art on the methods of analysing the presence of nitrites in (wet) feed. The final report is expected to become available in autumn. Delegations were invited to provide, if any, comments on the interim in writing.

Ambrosia seeds

The point was shortly addressed on the following aspects: under which situations does the application of the detoxification process fall within or outside the scope of [Regulation \(EU\) 2015/786](#), on the appropriateness of making a distinction in the provisions of Directive 2002/32/EC between viable/non-viable seeds and on the footnote related to the need for cleaning of contaminated seeds intended for milling and crushing.

Mycotoxins

The Committee was informed of the main issues addressed at the Mycotoxin forum on 14-15 May 2018 and the presence of deoxynivalenol and its modified forms and T-2 and HT-2 shall be taken as priority for future regulatory measures in feed and food.

Nickel

Reference was made to the [Commission Recommendation 2016/1110 of 28 June 2016 on the monitoring of the presence of nickel in feed](#), which was adopted following the [EFSA opinion on nickel in feed](#). The Commission representative informed the Committee to request EFSA to compile the available data on nickel in feed in view of a discussion on possible regulatory measures as regards nickel in feed. Member States were requested to provide as soon as possible the available data on nickel in feed to EFSA, in case this has not yet been done.

Hydroxymethylfurfural (HMF) in feed for honeybees

The Committee was informed of a report from Germany on the presence of HMF in feed for honeybees. An overview of RASFF notifications on the presence of HMF in feed for honeybees was provided. The issue will be discussed in more detail at a next meeting of the Committee when the report is available in English.

Fluorine

Following findings of levels of fluorine in calcareous marine algae above the maximum level in 2014, the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission has examined in co-operation with the concerned parties these findings of fluorine in calcareous marine algae. The conclusion of this work was presented and the

conclusion is that the background presence of fluorine in calcareous marine algae is around the maximum level established for fluorine in calcareous marine algae and that it therefore might be appropriate to slightly increase the current maximum level.

THC

The point was not discussed.

A.10 Review of Commission Regulation (EC) No 152/2009 of 27 January 2009 laying down the methods of sampling and analysis for the official control of feed.

The Committee was informed that since the last meeting comments from Slovenia were received. In order to examine all the comments received and to discuss appropriate amendments to [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No 152/2009](#), a specific meeting of the working group “methods of analysis in feed” shall be organised in the second half of August 2018. Delegates were invited to designate their representatives for that meeting.

A.11 Discussion of Salmonella in feeder-mice.

UK requested to discuss the issue of human illness potentially associated with *Salmonella* in imported feeder-mice, which are frozen whole rodents and sold as feed for pet snakes. UK’s representative informed about the situation in UK on this issue. This matter has previously presented for discussion on the meeting of the Animal by-products Working Group. The Commission’s representative reminded that in order to improve collaboration between Member States, RASSF is a very useful tool for the notification of possible further cases. The number of cases of salmonella in humans detected to date in UK is high, and the number of control actions already initiated in some Member States have not resulted in a significant decline in the number of new cases of human illness. Stricter control measures must be carried out in the concerned Member States in order to eliminate the risk. The possibility of adopting harmonized measures could be considered if necessary.

A.12 A.O.B.

A.12.1. Contact points in Member States

Two documents were presented :

- Annex II Crisis coordinators of the document “Food and feed crisis management practical guide”;
- List of e-mail contact points for the distribution of documents regarding PAFF Committee.

The Commission’s representative informed that documents will be also sent by mail and requested its revision and amendments, if necessary.

A.12.2. Lecithins

An EFSA opinion on the modification of the characterisation of some lecithins was presented. The Member States had a general positive approach on that opinion and in particular to align the characteristic of the lecithins (1c322i, 1c322ii, 1c322iii) to the food description. A draft Regulation will be proposed to a future meeting.

B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/63 as regards the conditions of authorisation of benzoic acid as a feed additive for certain animal species.

The vote was not taken as remaining issues need to be clarified in relation to the function performed by this additive.

Vote Postponed

B.02 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the denial of authorisation of riboflavin (80 %) produced by *Bacillus subtilis* KCCM-10445 as a feed additive belonging to the functional group of vitamins, pro-vitamins and chemically well-defined substances having similar effect.

The draft measure aims to deny the authorisation of riboflavin (80 %) produced by *Bacillus subtilis* KCCM-10445 as an existing product (vitamin B2), further to the EFSA's opinion of 7 March 2018.

The Commission's representative presented the revised draft measure which has been sent to the Member States.

In particular, the time periods for the withdrawal from the market of the feed products concerned have been re-considered and partly extended in order to take into account requests made by many Member States' representatives at the Committee's meeting of 24-25 April 2018 and information received from stakeholders on the overall impact of the envisaged measure.

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 a preparation of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* DSM 32291 as a feed additive for all animal species.

The draft Regulation refers to an authorisation as technological additive. 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 sodium and potassium alginate as a feed additive for cats, dogs, other non-food-producing animals and fish.

The draft Regulation refers to an authorisation as technological additive. 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 renewal of the authorisation of benzoic acid as a feed additive for weaned piglets and pigs for fattening and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1730/2006 and No 1138/2007 (holder of authorisation DSM Nutritional Products Sp. z o. o.).**

The draft Regulation refers to renewal of benzoic acid as zootechnical additive. 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 the preparation of Bacillus subtilis DSM 29784 as a feed additive for minor poultry species for fattening and reared for laying (holder of authorisation Adisseo France SAS).**

The draft Regulation refers to renewal of a micro-organism as zootechnical additive. A discussion took place.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

- B.07 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of a new use of the preparation of Bacillus subtilis C-3102 (DSM 15544) as a feed additive for pigs for fattening (holder of the authorisation Asahi Calpis Wellness Co. Ltd, represented by Asahi Calpis Wellness Co. Ltd Europe Representative Office).**

The draft Regulation refers to renewal of a micro-organism as zootechnical additive. A discussion took place.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

- B.08 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of a preparation of Bacillus subtilis DSM 28343 as a feed additive for weaned piglets (holder of authorisation Lactosan GmbH & Co. KG).**

The draft Regulation refers to renewal of a micro-organism as zootechnical additive. A discussion took place.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

- B.09 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation concerning the authorisation of a preparation of endo-1,4-beta-xylanase and endo-1,3(4)-beta-glucanase produced by Komagataella pastoris (CBS 25376) and Komagataella pastoris (CBS 26469) as feed additive for chickens for fattening, chickens reared for laying, turkeys for fattening, all avian species reared for laying or for breeding purposes, weaned piglets and all porcine species (weaned) (holder of the authorisation Kaesler Nutrition GmbH).**

The draft Regulation refers to renewal of some enzymes as zootechnical additive. A discussion took place.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

B.10 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Annexes II, V, VI and VII to Regulation (EC) No 767/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the placing on the market and use of feed and correcting the German language version of Annexes IV and VI to Regulation (EC) No 767/2009.

The draft Regulation refers to corrections in certain language versions of Annexes II, IV, V, VI and VII to Regulation (EC) No 767/2009.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

B.11 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation correcting certain language versions of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2330 concerning the authorisation of Iron(II) carbonate, Iron(III) chloride hexahydrate, Iron(II) sulphate monohydrate, Iron(II) sulphate heptahydrate, Iron(II) fumarate, Iron(II) chelate of amino acids hydrate, Iron(II) chelate of protein hydrolysates and Iron(II) chelate of glycine hydrate as feed additives for all animal species and of Iron dextran as feed additive for piglets and amending Regulations (EC) No 1334/2003 and (EC) No 479/2006.

The draft Regulation refers to corrections in certain language versions of the authorisation act for several compounds of iron as feed additives.

Vote taken: Unanimity.

C.01 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation on the withdrawal from the market and change of status of certain feed additives.

This item was not discussed.

C.02 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation (EU) amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the establishment of a new functional group.

This item was not discussed.

C.03 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Annex I to Directive 2002/32/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum levels for certain undesirable substances.

The amendments to [Directive 2002/32/EC](#) submitted for discussion relate to

- arsenic in peat, leonardite and dimanganese chloride trihydroxide;
- fluorine in calcareous marine algae;
- corrections to the provisions on lead as regards calcareous marine shells and copper (I) oxide;
- mercury in wet feed material (on the basis of tuna) directly fed to pet animals;
- free gossypol in cotton seed;
- dioxins and PCBs in feed additives belonging to the functional group of binders and anti-caking agents.

A short exchange of views has taken place.

