



PUBLIC NOTICE

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Establishing an AAFCO HACCP Taskforce

The AAFCO Board of Directors (BOD) has established a taskforce to develop a Volunteer Model HACCP Framework document and a HACCP auditing system. The association's current strategic plan includes as one of its primary goals, the development of an AAFCO Model Feed Safety Program. The BOD considered the development of a process control – risk based system as the next step in achieving that goal.

The taskforce was established because it draws expertise from academia, other government agencies, AAFCO membership, and the feed industry - a mixture of qualified resources that may not otherwise be available in the normal AAFCO committee setting.

The resulting document, if accepted by the BOD, is to serve as a starting point for further development through the AAFCO committee structure setting where both committee members and advisors would ensure suitability of the Volunteer Model HACCP Framework document.

Currently, the taskforce is in the final stages of development as witnessed by the document released by the taskforce at the Feed Manufacturing Committee meeting in San Antonio. It is anticipated that the BOD will receive a document from the taskforce for careful review at a future board meeting.

If the document is accepted by the BOD, the taskforce will be disbanded. Any HACCP document put forth by AAFCO must be approved by the AAFCO membership before adoption and inclusion within the AAFCO Official Publication.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Ricky Schroeder'.

Ricky Schroeder
AAFCO President