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Scheme: Animal Feed	Round: 201727
Month: July 2017	Matrix: Equine Feed

Dear AAFCO PT Program Participants,

Thank you for your continued participation in the AAFCO Proficiency Testing Program. The final reports have been reviewed and authorized for release. The included reports are:

- Analyte Proficiency Testing Report
- Method Proficiency Testing Report
- Analyte Summary Report
- Method Performance & Summary Report
- Individual Participant's Methods & Analytes Report Cards

*Over the last few months, the program has seen a rise in participants reporting results from a single run. This is a friendly reminder that laboratories should report two (2) independent test results as noted on Page 8 of the [AAFCO PT Program Participant Guidebook](#).*

This PT Round was prepared, shipped, reported by participants, evaluated by statistical treatment for assigned consensus mean, robust standard deviation, and % Threshold RSD, graded (z-scores) and final reports issued. Any concerns or errors should immediately be communicated to [pt@aafco.org](mailto:pt@aafco.org). A timely investigation will occur in accordance with the AAFCO PTP Quality Management System. You will be advised of the outcome. Errors made by the participant in data entry cannot be changed after the reporting deadline and such errors are not grounds for appeal.

Reminders:

- 1.) Please be sure to report analytes in the units noted in the Data Reporting Website (DRW). Results reported in units other than those designated in the DRW are often flagged as outliers and not included in the statistical evaluation. Results reported in the incorrect units may result in performance scores that exceed  $\pm 3$  SD.
- 2.) Test Results for each round are due no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month at Midnight US Central Time. Results cannot be added or edited once the deadline passes per AAFCO PT Program Policy.

Sincerely,

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