Feed Labeling Committee

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday January 22, 2020
2:00 – 2:45 PM
2020 AAFCO Mid-Year Meeting
Albuquerque, NM

Committee Participants
Members Present:
David Dressler (PA), Heather Bartley (WI), Liz Beckman (WA), Caitlin Price (NC), Mika Alewynse (FDA), Richard Ten Eyck (OR), Erin Bubb (PA), George Ferguson (NC), Kelli Younker (NM), Jason Schmidt (LA).

Advisors Present:
Emily Helmes (ETA), Meghan Dicks (AFIA), Steve Younker (AFIA), Pat Tovey (PFI), Lorri Chavez (PFI), Jan Campbell (NGFA), Dave Dzanis (ACVN/APPA), Chris Olinger (NGFA), James Emerson (USPA), Ken Gilmurray (NARA).

Others Present: Sue Hayes (AAFCO)

Absent: Tim Darden (NM), Stevie Glaspie (MI), Karissa McCaw (FL), Jason Schmidt (LA), Denver Alsup (MO), Julia Fidenzio (APPA).

Introductions
Meeting called to order at 2:15 PM MST. Due to the limited time for the meeting, roll call was not announced aloud. Those present completed a sign-in sheet. A quorum for the meeting was established (10 of 15). Two new members were introduced; Kelli Younker of New Mexico and Denver Alsup from Missouri. Denver was not present for this introduction.

Medicated Feed Labeling Workshop
FDA was thanked for putting on an excellent workshop. Presentations for those who attended are available in the Feed BIN under the 2020 Medicated Feed Labeling Workshop library. Attendees will be emailed a survey to provide feedback about the workshop.

Livestock Treats Work Group Update
The livestock treats workgroup submitted a report outlying the workgroup’s recommendation. MOTION: Heather Bartley moves to accept workgroup report. Mika Alewynse second. MOTION PASSES.

Liz Beckman discussed the workgroup’s recommendation. The workgroup requests modification to Regulation 3 in the AAFCO Model Regulations. The complete recommendation of the group is attached.
hereto as Appendix A. A suggestion from an advisor to change “all species and classes” to “all animal classes and species” in 3(a)(4)(XI). The workgroup agreed to the minor modification of their recommendation, thus Appendix A was updated with the change. MOTION: Liz Beckman motions to move the livestock treats workgroup recommendation to the Model Bills & Regulation Committee. Richard Ten Eyck second. MOTION PASSES.

The committee has determined that no additional actions are needed from this workgroup. MOTION: Richard Ten Eyck moves to disband the livestock treats workgroup. Jason Schmidt seconds. MOTION PASSES.

**Maximum Levels for Nutrients with Toxicity Levels**
The workgroup did little work to review nutrients that could have toxic levels. It was decided that the initial charge to review all nutrients was too involved and broad. The committee was unable to decide on a more narrowed charge for the group. MOTION: Erin Bubb moves to disband the workgroup. Caitlin Price seconds. MOTION PASSES.

**Feed Labeling Guide in OP**
Since the Feed Labeling Guide has been created as a stand-alone document, discussion was held to determine if the feed labeling guide should be removed from the AAFCO Official Publication so there is only one version of the document. It was determined that having the guide in the OP would be beneficial for inspectors in the field, because this way they only need to carry one document (the OP), versus two documents. The technology committee might be able to assist with updating the stand-alone guide with updates made to the OP. Pat Tovey mention that the reference to rabbit feed is missing from the OP. David Dressler stated this will be resolved.

**Strategic Affairs Commitments**
The Strategic Affairs Committee requested the Feed Labeling Committee promote the Online Ingredient Database (ODI). Discussion was held to determine how to best proceed with this. Comments were to remind individuals that ODI is free with their Feed BIN access. Others mention the usefulness of the tool when creating labels to reduce the likelihood that registrations will be returned due to improper labeling. A webinar to demonstrate the capabilities of ODI would be beneficial and this can be pushed to all BIN users, thus reaching those that aren’t able to attend AAFCO meetings.

**Other Items**
There were no other items presented for discussion.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM MST**
Regulation 3(a)(3) Purpose Statement

VIII. The purpose statement of a feed intended as a treat for a designated species shall include the words "treat" or "snack “and the intended species conspicuously on the principal display panel.

Regulation 3(a)(4) Guarantees

*XI. Required guarantees for treats (all animal classes and species)(all species and classes)
   a. Minimum percentage of Crude Protein
   b. Minimum percentage of Crude Fat
   c. Maximum percentage of Crude Fiber
   d. Other guarantees, as needed to support nutrient content claims in the labeling as per Model Bill 5(a)(3), and in accordance with terminology, order of guarantees and units of expression as specified in Model Regulations 3(a)(4) and 4.

*With this new regulation inserted, current XI will become XII, and current XII will become XIII