Model Bills and Regulations Committee

Recommendations, Report and Minutes from July 25, 2014 Meeting

Committee Recommendations:

1. The Model Bills and Regulations Committee (MBRC) recommends that Feed Labeling Committee changes to Model Regulation 3(a)(4)(V) (Appendix A2) conform to the Model Bill and that the AAFCO Board of Directors review the proposal for future consideration of the Association membership.

2. The MBRC recommends that Feed Labeling Committee changes to Model Regulation 3(a)(4) (Appendix B) conform to the Model Bill and that the AAFCO Board of Directors review the proposal for future consideration of the Association membership.

3. The MBRC recommends that Feed Labeling Committee changes to Model Bill Regulation 7(d) Table (Appendix C) conform to the Model Bill and that the AAFCO Board of Directors review the proposal for future consideration of the Association membership.

Board Recommendations:

Association Actions:

Committee Report and Minutes (July 25, 2014):

Model Bills and Regulations Committee Chairman Doug Lueders called the meeting to order at 4 p.m. on July 25, 2014. He welcomed committee members, industry advisers and guests who were present, and reviewed the agenda. He asked if there were any additional agenda topics, and none were offered.

In addition to Mr. Lueders, committee members in attendance were: Ken Bowers (Kansas), Bill Burkholder (FDA), Mike Davidson (California), April Hunt (Michigan), Ben Jones (Texas) and Richard Ten Eyck (Oregon).

Industry advisers present were: Angela Mills and Scott Ringer (AFIA); David Dzanis (APPA/ACVN); Jan Campbell and David Fairfield (NGFA); Angele Thompson and Pat Tovey (PFI); and Sue Hays and Matt Pope (Wild Bird Feeding Industry).
Minutes from Previous Committee Meeting

Chairman Lueders noted that minutes from the January 2014 committee meeting conducted in New Orleans were approved on March 11, posted on the AAFCO website and were included in the 2014 Annual Meeting’s General Session packet.

Old Business

Chairman Lueders noted the committee had no old business to consider. He also noted that all previous recommendations emanating from the committee’s meeting in New Orleans were approved by the AAFCO Board of Directors and the AAFCO membership.

New Business

The committee proceeded to consider new business.

- **Feed Labeling Committee – Regulation 3(a)(4)(V):** The committee reviewed language proposed by the Feed Labeling Committee for Regulation 3(a)(4)(V) – Required Guarantees for Equine Formula Feeds – as indicated in Appendix A2. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Ten Eyck to accept the Feed Labeling Committee recommendation as indicated in Appendix A2 and forward it to the AAFCO Board of Directors with the recommendation that it conforms to the Model Bill and that the Board of Directors review the proposal for future consideration of the Association membership. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jones. Committee members approved the motion by a voice vote.

- **Feed Labeling Committee – Regulation 3(a)(4):** The committee reviewed language proposed by the Feed Labeling Committee to revise Regulation 3(a)(4) - Guarantees - as indicated in Appendix B. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Ten Eyck to accept the Feed Labeling Committee recommendation as indicated in Appendix B and forward it to the AAFCO Board of Directors with the recommendation that it conforms to the Model Bill and that the Board of Directors review the proposal for future consideration of the Association membership. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jones. Committee members approved the motion by a voice vote.

- **Feed Labeling Committee – Regulation 7(d) Table:** The committee reviewed revisions proposed by the Feed Labeling Committee for the table associated with Regulation 7(d) – Directions for Use and Precautionary Statements for Raw Milk – as indicated in Appendix C. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Ten Eyck to accept the Feed Labeling Committee recommendation as indicated in Appendix C and forward it to the AAFCO Board of Directors with the recommendation that it conforms to the Model Bill and that the Board of Directors review the proposal for future consideration of the Association membership. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jones. Committee members approved the motion by a voice vote.
• **Revisions to the Model Bill for Synergism with the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA):** Mr. Lueders asked for committee discussion about potential revisions to the Model Bill for synergism with FSMA. After committee members offered none, Mr. Lueders stated the AAFCO Feed and Feed Ingredient Manufacturing Committee likely would take the lead, subject to direction provided by the AAFCO Board of Directors, in considering potential revisions to the Model Bill for synergism with FSMA.

**Assignments/Homework for Mid-Year Meeting**

Mr. Lueders said the AAFCO Pet Food Committee likely would make a recommendation pertaining to the AAFCO Dog Food Nutrient Profiles during its committee meeting to be held on July 27. Mr. Lueders encouraged members to review the recommendation, if made, and said the MBRC likely would discuss the recommendation prior to its next face-to-face meeting scheduled to be at held at the 2015 mid-year meeting in San Antonio.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Lueders asked whether there was any other business to be considered by the committee. Given that none was identified, the committee meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

On behalf of the Model Bills and Regulations Committee, I respectfully submit this semiannual report and request acceptance of the report and recommendations by the AAFCO Board of Directors and the Association Membership.

**Model Bills and Regulations Committee**

**Attachments for July 25, 2014 meeting**

**Appendix A2**

Feed Labeling Committee’s Recommendation for Regulation 3(a)(4)(V) (page 123 of the 2014 hard copy *Official Publication*):

V. Required Guarantees for Equine Formula Feeds
   a. Animal Classes
      1) Growing
      2) Broodmare
      3) Maintenance
      4) Performance (Including Stallions)

   b. Guaranteed Analysis for Equine Complete Feeds and Supplements (all animal classes)
1) Minimum percentage of Crude Protein
2) Minimum percentage of Crude Fat
3) Maximum percentage of Crude Fiber
4) Maximum percentage of Acid Detergent Fiber (ADF)
5) Maximum percentage of Neutral Detergent Fiber (NDF)
6) Minimum and Maximum percentage of Calcium
7) Minimum percentage of Phosphorus
8) Minimum Copper in parts per million (ppm) (if added)
9) Minimum Selenium in parts per million (ppm)
10) Minimum Zinc in parts per million (ppm)
11) Minimum Vitamin A, other than the precursors of Vitamin A, in International Units per pound (if added)

c. Guaranteed Analysis for Equine Mineral Feeds (all animal classes)
1) Minimum and maximum percentage of Calcium
2) Minimum percentage of Phosphorous
3) Minimum and maximum percentage of Salt (if added)
4) Minimum and maximum percentage of Sodium
5) Minimum Copper in parts per million (ppm) (if added)
6) Minimum Selenium in parts per million (ppm)
7) Minimum Zinc in parts per million (ppm)
8) Minimum Vitamin A, other than the precursors of Vitamin A, in International Units per pound (if added)

Appendix B

Feed Labeling Committee’s Recommendation for Regulation 3(a)(4) (page 120 of the 2014 hard copy Official Publication), new language bold faced and underscored:

(4) Guarantees - Crude Protein, Equivalent Crude Protein from Non Protein Nitrogen, Amino Acids, Crude Fat, Crude Fiber, Acid Detergent Fiber, Calcium, Phosphorus, Salt and Sodium shall be the sequence of nutritional guarantees when such guarantee is stated. Other required and voluntary guarantees should follow in a general format such that the units of measure used to express guarantees (percentage, parts per million, International Units, etc.) are listed in a sequence that provides a consistent grouping of the units of measure. **Individual nutrient guarantees are not required if listed as exempt in section XII.**

Feed Labeling Committee’s Recommendation for Regulation 3(a)(4) (page 126 of the 2014 Hard Copy Official Publication), new language bold faced and underscored:

XI. The required guarantees of grain mixtures with or without molasses and feeds other than those described in regulation 3(a)(4) **(I thru X)** shall include the following items…
Appendix C

Feed Labeling Committee’s Recommendation for Regulation 7(d) – Table (page 131 of the hard copy 2014 *Official Publication*):

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