

### **Feed Labeling Committee Meeting Minutes**

AAFCO Annual Meeting

Tuesday August 3, 2021

1:00 – 2:00 PM EDT

Held Virtually

Committee Recommendations: None

Board Recommendations: None

Committee Participants:

- **Members Present:** David Dressler (PA), Erin Bubb (PA), Mika Alewynse (FDA), Mark Ashcroft (UT), Liz Beckman (WA), George Ferguson (NC), Stevie Glaspie (MI), Caitlin Price (NC), Tom Phillips (MD), Richard Ten Eyck (OR), Kelly Yonker (NM), Dragan Momcilovic (FDA).
- **Advisors Present:** Jan Campbell (NGFA), Dave Dzanis (ACVN/APPA), Meghan Dicks (AFIA), James Emerson (USPA), , Chris Olinger (NGFA), Kevin Ragland (PFI), Pat Tovey (PFI).
- **Absent:** Heather Bartley (WI), Julia Fidenzio (APPA), Emily Helmes (ETA), Steve Yonker (AFIA).

Committee Report:

The meeting was called to order by David Dressler at 1:00 PM EDT. A quorum was established while committee members were in the waiting room (12 of 13).

#### **Vitamin D3 Guarantees for Rabbits**

- Due to ongoing mortality of rabbits from Vitamin D toxicity, discussion was held to determine if the guarantees within the model regulations for rabbit feed should contain a maximum Vitamin D3. A comment was made that we should focus on total Vitamin D, not just D3. The discussion included concerns about the analytical variations for the testing method and the proximity from a required level and a toxic level. From a regulatory stance, a feed that would be acceptable may appear toxic due to the analytical variation.
- Going forward, more research would be needed to determine the nutrient requirements and potential toxicity of Vitamin D for rabbits. There would also need to be improved testing methods for Vitamin D. Neither of these would be within the scope of the feed labeling committee.
- No action on this topic was made by the committee.

#### **OP Updates**

- Discussion was held to determine if any section of the AAFCO Official Publication needs to be updated. This included potentially removing (2)(c) from the Broilers, Breeders guarantees within the

model regulations for chicken feed. George Ferguson recommended creating a workgroup to review the Feed Labeling Committee sections and provided recommended edits back to the committee.

- MOTION: George Ferguson moves that the Feed Labeling Committee set up a workgroup to review their sections of responsibility in the OP, recommend any needed edits and have a report returned to the committee 60 days prior to the 2022 Mid-Year meeting. Liz Beckman seconds. MOTION PASSES.

**Common Food on Feed Labels**

- With the acceptance of the common foods term, this topic was added to the agenda to see if there is any information that should be present on a feed label, or if there is any safety data or documentation a firm would need to maintain if a common food is listed as an ingredient on the feed label.
- There was no discussion or actions made on this topic.

**Future Workshops**

- With the ongoing desire for training, a discussion was held to determine if there should be a Medicated Feed Labeling Workshop and a Non-Medicated Feed Labeling Workshop held during a future AAFCO meeting.
- Sue Hays mentioned the Non-Medicated Feed Labeling Workshop has been approved by the AAFCO Board of Directors to move to an online format. There is still a need for subject matter experts to review content and select topics that should be included in this online course.
- Since the Non-Medicated Feed Labeling Workshop is being moved to an online format, a question was posed to the committee to see if there was interest in holding the Medicated Feed Labeling Workshop in 2023 or 2024.
- The committee did not take any action to have future workshops.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM EDT**

**Action Item Table**

Responsible	Item	Action	Timing / Status
David Dressler	OP Updates	Convene workgroup to review FLC's sections of the OP and determine if any areas need edited.	Report back to the committee with workgroup recommendations by November 15, 2021.