



Inspection and Sampling Committee Minutes
AAFCO Mid-Year Meeting
New Orleans, LA
January 8, 2014

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Board approval of minutes
2. Place LDAF sampling videos in the AAFCO Feed Bin
3. Plan an AITS for the Fall 2014

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1.
- 2.

ASSOCIATION ACTIONS:

- 1.
- 2.

Committee Participants:

BOD Members Present:

Richard Ten Eyck, President Elect
Tim Darden, Immediate Past President
Sam Davis, Junior Director
Dan Danielson, Junior Director

Committee Members Present:

Jennifer Godwin, NC
Bob Church, MT
Meagan Davis, LA
Tim Lyons, MI
Gloria Dunnavan, Life Member
Barb Schroeder, MN
Jim True, KY
Dan Danielson, TN, Co-Chair / BOD Liaison

Advisors Present:

Chris Olinger, NGFA
Jan Campbell, NGFA
Martha Smith, ADM

AAFCO Meeting attendees

See attached meeting roster



1. Welcome and Introductions – Dan Danielson
2. Minutes Approval: Minutes were previously approved by e-vote (9/9/13)
3. New Business: None
4. Defensible Sampling Presentation, Chuck Ramsey, Envirostat, Inc.

Ben Jones asked if Mr. Ramsey had the opportunity to look at the common tools used by feed inspectors and the feeds commonly sampled by feed field staff. Mr. Ramsey responded that the tools out there are “good and reasonable” but not everyone has access to all the necessary equipment in the field. He also stated that the tools may not be used correctly in the field.

Sam Davis asked Mr. Ramsey to clarify his statement about cleaning the equipment. Mr. Ramsey responded that the first step was to use a cloth to wipe away visible dust and carryover from the previous product sampled. He also suggested that “good housekeeping” should be established for the field staff to provide necessary information for caring for equipment.

Gloria Dunnavan asked Mr. Ramsey to clarify his presentation question of “what’s the point of taking a sample?” Mr. Ramsey pointed out that if sampling is not done correctly we cannot know what the sample represents or if it’s even a good sample.

Ben Jones asked if Mr. Ramsey was aware of the AAFCO Inspector Manual and Guidelines for sampling, especially the part of sampling for contaminants and analytes.

*How will the APHL Grant Work Group impact the inspection and sampling group?

The AAFCO Feed Bin was discussed and it’s use encouraged by Dan Danielson.

AAFCO Inspectors Manual – Jennifer Godwin stated that all chapter revisions have been completed and agreed upon by the committee. Once the basic overview of the Inspector’s Manual has been completed, the revised manual will be available online by the end of February 2014.

Basic Inspector Training Seminar – Meagan Davis recapped the two BITS Trainings that were hosted in Louisiana in 2013. She also informed those in attendance that during the Fall BITS training the LSU Agriculture Communications group captured footage of various sampling techniques and will complete videos for the following sampling stations: Bulk Truck Sampling; Bulk Feed Sampling, Bag Feed Sampling, Liquid Feed Sampling and Block and Tub Sampling. These videos will be publically available once editing has been finished by LSU.

Advanced Inspector Training Seminar – Meagan Davis announced that Louisiana would host an AITS training in New Orleans in the fall of 2014.

Gloria Dunnavan discussed the plan for a certificate program that will be discussed during the Education and Training Committee that will set a standard for training events and once that process is complete, these trainings must provide a test to determine pass or fail of the course. There is a potential for AITS and BITS to be involved in this curriculum but first they must be standardized. First the group is working on the process and procedures, then will determine how many levels and potential training events are needed, then the group will develop the



curriculum. There is also a potential for a Job Task Analysis to be performed to determine the needs of a State Feed Inspector. The group also has the goal to help implement Standard 2: Training of the Animal Feed Regulatory Program Standards. This certificate program would help support the State Feed Regulatory Programs meet the requirements in Standard 2.

Adjourned at 2:26 PM



Appendix