AAFCO Check Sample 2008-31
Dry Dog Food

Administrative

Thanks to everyone who has already subscribed to the 2009 Program. There are many participants who have yet to renew their subscriptions. The invoice form is available on the AAFCO website. The link to the Collaborative Check Sample Program page is provided below.
http://www.aafco.org/NewsandInformation/AAFCOCheckSampleProgram/tabid/74/Default.aspx
Use this link to access all relevant program documents and forms, and also link to the Summary reports page. To ensure uninterrupted delivery of your samples, please have your renewal forms submitted as soon as possible. We very much appreciate your continued support of this AAFCO Program.

The Collaborative Check Sample Program Committee will be meeting on Tuesday January 20th at the AAFCO Mid-year Meeting in Tucson Arizona, from 10:30am-12:00pm and then continuing from 1:30pm -3:30pm as required to cover the agenda. The meeting agenda is available from the AAFCO website (www.aafco.org). Choose "News and Information" – "Upcoming AAFCO Meetings" and click on the Meeting agendas bullet point.

Analytical

Analyte	Estimated Analysis	AAFCO Grand Average (Pass 2)*	% of Estimated Analysis
Crude protein, min	26.00 %	27.7130 %	106.59
Crude Fat[1], min	18.00 %	14.8750 %	82.64
Crude Fat [2], min	**18.00%**	**18.0069 %**	**100.04**
Crude Fiber, max	3.00 %	1.7982 %	59.94
Calcium (Ca), min	1.00 %	1.1017 %	110.17
Phosphorus (P), min	0.80 %	0.8603 %	107.54
Moisture[3], max	10.00 %	8.9954 %	89.95
Zinc (Zn), min	125 PPM	203.417 PPM	162.73
Vitamin A, min	5.0 KU/LB	4.5535 KU/LB	91.07
Vitamin E, min	31 mg/kg	40.9800 mg/kg	132.19

* Method Group results
[1]Method group 003.XX
[2]Method group 013.XX (Pretreat [acid hydrolysis] or extended extraction)
[3]Method group 011.XX (Loss on Drying, High Temp methods)

005.11 Ash by NIR
Of the ten labs reporting data using this method code, six were screened outliers compared to the method group average. Five of the six outliers reported results that were higher than the method group average, and the remaining lab reported results with a low bias compared to the method group.

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