

Feed and Feed Ingredient Manufacturing Committee

2023 Annual Conference

Baltimore, MD

Purpose Statement

Working cooperatively with the Food and Drug Administration, Canadian Food Inspection Agency, feed and feed ingredient manufacturers and other relevant domestic and international stakeholders, develop science- and risk-based regulations. Such regulations would support the implementation of effective inspection and compliance strategies as well as be useful in providing education and information to stakeholders. The overall goal is to minimize the presence of chemical, microbiological and physical hazards in animal feeds to the levels necessary to protect human and animal health.

Agenda

- 1.) Welcome and Committee Member Introduction (Charles Hubenka & Ken Bowers)
- 2.) Review Action Items/Reports from Working Groups and Liaisons
 - Working Group 3 – Update on Contaminant and Hazard Lab Strategy/Regulatory Program needs survey – Eric Brady .
 - AAFCO Regulatory Program Needs Yearly Survey Strategic Plan (Objective 3.2) update – Brady/Lab?
 - Working Group 4 – Update on AITS training – Eric Brady.
 - Nutrient Contaminant Working Group Update – Disband workgroup.
 - Workgroup (Ben Jones, Eric Brady, Johnathon Roberts, Dave Fairfield) Update on VSIP Section in Ch.5 – Charles Hubenka Report.
 - Edits in OP Official Guidelines for Contaminant Levels Permitted in Mineral Feed Ingredients – Jennifer Kormos Report.

New Business:

- Strategic Plan assignment for 20232025. Discussion/workgroups. See Attachments A & B.
- 3.) Canadian Regulatory Update (Laura Scott)
 - 4.) Industry Stakeholder Updates
 - 6.) Other Business

Attachment A

- **Objective 3.1 – Promote and integrate Animal Food Safety Systems.**

Narrative: Develop and promote a food chain focused safety purpose, activities, and coordination for animal food regulatory agencies. Evaluate current system or systems already in place, identify gaps in model bill and regulations, collaborate with State and Federal Regulatory food/feed agencies, establish, and publish guidance materials and resource links. Multiple components are needed to make a strong Animal Food Safety Program that works cooperatively with FDA to advance human and animal health and safety. This objective aims to develop a roadmap that identifies some of the components that are needed to achieve this goal.

Tasks

1. Identify the elements (roadmap) and implement the activities needed to achieve the objective (considering the narrative [above] and tasks pbelow]). Note: A task related to evaluating the current system and identifying gaps has been added.
Responsible: Feed and Feed Ingredient Manufacturing Committee (FFIMC), Inspection and Sampling Committee (ISC), Enforcement Issues Committee (EIC) (joint meeting of committee leaders to develop the plan)
 - **Deliverable:**
 - Identify needs, gaps and strategically plan activities (e.g., roadmap)
 - Realign the following tasks in accordance with the planned elements.
 - **Timeframe:** Virtual calls before Midyear 2023 (two calls @ one hour each) (Chairs, Vices, Board Liaisons, President Elect, ED)

2. Align *Chapter 5* of the *OP* with AFRPS. (Note: MBR was aligned with FSMA as part of 2017-2020 Strategic Plan. Some committees are already working on parts of Chapter 5 material.)
Responsible: EIC, ISC, FFIMC, Feed Labelling Committee (FLC), LMSC support (Committees with relevant sections)
 - **Deliverable and Timeframe:**
 - Identify current gaps by Midyear 2024
 - Update Chapter 5 sections by December 2025

Attachment B

➤ **Objective 3.2 - Promote and integrate laboratory technology, methods, quality systems, and collaboration in support of Animal Food Safety Systems.**

Narrative: Identify training and method needs of regulatory laboratories, collaborate with State and Federal Regulatory food/feed agencies to obtain methods, establish, and publish Best Practice guidance materials and resource links on AAFCO LMSC website. Design, implement and provide a training program for state regulatory laboratorians. Establish a Quality Assurance committee under the AAFCO LMSC to update and provide resources related to quality and accreditation. Provide a link on AAFCO website where state regulatory and state laboratory personnel can gain information on laboratory capabilities.

Tasks

1. Identify the elements (roadmap) and implement the activities needed to achieve the objective (considering the narrative [above] and tasks [below]).
Responsible: FFIM, LMSC (joint meeting of committee leaders to develop the plan)
 - **Deliverable:**
 - Identify needs, gaps and strategically plan activities (e.g., roadmap)
 - Realign the following tasks in accordance with the planned elements.

- **Timeframe:** Virtual calls before Midyear 2023 (two calls @ one hour each) (Chairs, Vices, Board Liaisons, President Elect, ED)
- 2. (c) Survey SRP to identify testing needs. LMSC is currently running survey to identify analytes (Consider identifying criteria to determine what types of analytes will be on the sampling plan) and develop a library of methods and technology. Prior survey through FFIMC went to SRP seeking feedback on analytes of interest (toxins) with second part to identify lab capability. This will be done on a regular basis.
- 3. **Responsible:** FFIM, LMSC and include Pet Food Committee (PFC), due to the label modernization changes that will be taking place.
 - **Deliverable:**
 - Send an annual Regulatory Method Needs Survey to State Regulatory Program Managers to access, rank and guide laboratory method and resource needs
 - Compile and present results of the survey
 - Prioritize needs based on survey results
 - Create or charge individual LMSC working groups with obtaining methods, planning training, and creating Best Practice Guidance documents for state laboratories
 - Publish resources on AAFCO website
 - **Timeframe:** Summer 2023 (this is being done now), Annual each summer after