1. Discussion and possible opinion on a draft Commission Regulation concerning the provisional authorisation of new uses of additives in feedingstuffs.

The draft Commission Regulation was presented and discussed. It concerned the extension to new animal categories (sows and pigs for fattening respectively) of the provisional authorisations of two preparations of the enzymes 6-phytase (EC 3.1.3.26) and endo-1, 4-beta-xylanase (EC 3.2.1.8).

A vote was taken: unanimous approval.

2. Discussion and possible opinion on a draft Commission Regulation concerning certain conditions for the use of canthaxanthin in feedingstuffs.

The draft Commission Directive concerning modification of the maximum canthaxanthin content was presented and discussed. In line with the SCAN's opinion (Scientific Committee for Animal Nutrition) the maximum content for poultry other than laying hens was fixed at 25 mg/kg of complete feedingstuff, for laying hens at 8 mg/kg and for salmon and trout at 25 mg/kg. The mixing of canthaxanthin with astaxantine is allowed, provided that the total concentration of the mixture does not exceed 80 mg/kg for poultry other than laying hens and 100mg /kg for salmon and trout.

A vote was taken: qualified majority.

Member States must apply the provisions of this Directive from 1 December 2003.

3. Discussion and possible opinion on a draft Commission Regulation concerning the 10-year authorisation of an additive (Diclazuril) in feedingstuffs.

The draft Commission Regulation concerning the 10-year authorisation of a coccidiostat (diclazuril) for chickens reared for laying was presented and discussed. It concerns the transition from provisional authorisation to 10-year authorisation.

A vote was taken: qualified majority.

4. Discussion and possible opinion on a draft Commission Regulation concerning the 10-year authorisation of an additive (Avilamycin) in feedingstuffs.

The draft Commission Regulation concerning the 10-year authorisation of an antibiotic (avilamycin) for turkeys was presented and discussed. A recital in this draft Regulation refers to the Commission's proposal to the Parliament and Council providing for the phasing out of the last remaining antibiotics for growth promotion from 1 January 2006.

A vote was taken: no qualified majority was obtained. The draft Regulation will be
transmitted to the Council in accordance with Article 23 of Directive 70/524/EEC. The Commission announced that, pending a decision from the Council, avilamycin was no longer authorised for turkeys.

5. Hydrogen peroxide.

A discussion took place on the use of hydrogen peroxide in feed. Member States were asked to inform the Commission how national legislation regarded the use of hydrogen peroxide in feed.


A discussion took place regarding the implementation of Article 12.

7. Discussion and possible opinion on a draft "Overall summary report on the results of inspections in the field of animal nutrition carried out by Member States in 2001" and draft "Recommendation on the coordinated inspection programmes in the field of animal nutrition for the year 2003 according to Council Directive 95/53/EC".

The Commission representatives presented the draft proposal for a recommendation for a coordinated inspection programme for 2003. Member States expressed objections on the high number of samples to be taken and the number of inspections to be done (according to the production of compound feed) for checking the implementation of restrictions on the production and use of products of animal origin in feedingstuffs. The Commission representative proposed a revision on the number of samples and on the number of inspections and the document was voted by unanimity.

The draft of the "Overall summary report on the results of inspections in the field of animal nutrition carried out by Member States in 2001" was discussed. A delay for Member States to send comments to the Commission was agreed for 10 January 2003 before its final publication.


The draft was presented by the Commission and distributed to Member States for discussion.

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