All Member States were present, except Malta.

1. **Feed Additives**

1.1. **Applications under Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 Art. 4**

1.1.1. New applications

1.2. **Applications under Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 Art. 25**

1.2.1. **Kofogran (nicarbazin)** as coccidiostat for chickens up to four weeks. Application for permanent authorisation. Rapp: BE

A discussion took place.


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1.3. **Applications under Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 Art. 9**

1.3.1. Discussion on EFSA opinion the safety and efficacy of Mycocell (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*) for dairy cows.

A discussion took place. The Company will be asked for further information.
1.4. Legal status of methylene-diurea

Based on the product information forwarded by one Member State the Committee expressed doubts on whether the product could be considered to be urea and indicated that it might be a non-authorised feed additive. The manufacturer will be asked for further information on the product including on the aim why formaldehyde is added.

2. Products falling within the scope of Directive 2008/38/EC : application dossier "support of joint function in the case of osteoarthritis" for cats and dogs

The Commission services will send the full dossier to the Delegations in the Committee for evaluation. The Committee will come back in one of its next meetings to discuss the results of the assessment.


3.1. Borderline between feed materials and feed additives (Art. 7)

A representative of the Commission distributed a working paper with criteria for the guidelines for the distinction between feed materials, feed additives and other products such as veterinary drugs and with a draft list of products to be considered feed materials. In the light of the discussion in the Committee the paper will be updated and a more detailed document will be presented in the next Committee.

3.2. Transitional measures (Art. 32(4))

Several options were discussed in order to facilitate the transition to the labelling requirements according to the new marketing Regulation (EC) N° 767/2009. Considering the big support for such measures a draft for a legislative proposal will be prepared for the next Committee meeting.

3.3. Community catalogue of feed materials

A discussion took place on the legal implementing act which should be adopted as the first version of the European Union Catalogue of feed materials before the 21st of March 2010 in application of Article 24 (2) of Regulation (EC) N° 767/2009.


4. Botanical impurities in feed materials

Referring to a discussion in the SCFCAH (Section Genetically Modified Food and Feed) of a working document on GM labelling rules in case of botanical impurities in feed, a Commission's representative explained the interface between respectively Regulation (EC) N° 1829/2003 and Directive 96/25/EC and Regulation (EC) N° 767/2009. It was highlighted that substances with can have an adverse effect on the animal cannot be considered impurities. The working document was well received by the Member States. Some Delegates raised the issue of analytical quantification of the impurities in practice and asked for further clarification from the respective Commission services.

5. Exchange of views on the electronic Working Group relating to future work animal feeding in Codex Alimentarius

The output of the electronic Working Group has been discussed.

6. Approbation of the European Feed Manufacturer's Guide (EFMC)

After having examined the new version of the EFMC's guide introduced by FEFAC, including a new chapter on medicated feed and HACCP, in several working groups, the Standing Committee, in application of Article 22 of Regulation (EC) N° 183/2005, agreed to the publication of the guideline.

Germany made a declaration to be included in the minutes of the meeting:

7. Discussion on criteria for detoxification of feed, non-compliant with the provisions of Directive 2002/32/EC on undesirable substances in feed

A draft legal text was presented for initial discussion, containing following orientations for discussion:
- application of detoxification only in case of use of a detoxification process, complying with the acceptability criteria and approved by competent authorities;
- approval in accordance with Article 10 (2) or 10 (3) of the Feed Hygiene Regulation (EC) N° 183/2005 of establishments performing the detoxification process, with exemptions for the cleaning and sorting detoxification process;
- acceptability criteria for physical, chemical and (micro-)biological detoxification process;
- reporting on the application of the proposed legal provisions.
Member States welcomed the text and made several comments/suggestions for improvement to the text.

The Commission's representative indicated the intention to update the document taking into account the comments made for discussion at the next meeting.

8. Discussion on the review of the provisions on dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs in feed and the influence of using the new TEF 2005

At the Expert Committee on 29 October 2009, EFSA presented the outcome of the results of the monitoring of dioxin and dioxin-like PCB levels in food and feed with the focus on feed. Following the outcome thereof, new maximum and action levels based on World Health Organisation - Toxic Equivalent Factors – 2005 (WHO-TEF-2005) were suggested for future discussion.

9. Discussion on possible provisions as regards non-dioxin like PCBs in feed

The preliminary results on the compilation by EFSA of the monitoring data on non-dioxin like PCB levels in food and feed with the focus on feed were presented. In addition, at the Expert Committee meeting on 29 October 2009, a representative from the RIKILT, The Netherlands presented the knowledge on the carry-over of non dioxin-like PCBs (NDL-PCBs) from feed in food of animal origin, in particular in pig meat, eggs and milk.

The German delegation reported also on the extensive investigations that have taken place in Germany on the carry-over of NDL-PCBs from feed in food of animal origin and highlighted the outcome of the investigations as regards beef. The Commission's representative indicated that this information has also to be considered when discussing maximum levels in food. Furthermore an enquiry is currently ongoing amongst National Reference Laboratories (NRLs) and Official Feed and Food laboratories (OFLs) as regards the achievability of low Limits of Quantification for the determination of NDL-PCBs in feed and food, given that the proposed maximum levels are upperbound levels and the suggested requirement that the LOQ should be at 1/5 of the level of interest. The outcome of this enquiry will be discussed in detail in the meeting of the CRL/NRL network early December 2009.

Maximum Levels for NDL-PCBs were suggested to be based upon the monitoring data compiled by European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), as starting point for future discussion.

10. Carry-over of maduramycin in feed - consequent levels in eggs

The Commission's representative informed the Committee to propose an amendment to Commission Regulation (EC) N° 124/2009 of 10 February 2009 whereby the maximum level of maduramicin in eggs would be set at 15 µg/kg based on the extensive information provided by the competent authorities from Slovenia. According to the EFSA opinion, this maximum level will not endanger public health.
11. **Replacement of the current annex to Directive 2002/32/EC on undesirable substances in feed integrating all amendments since 2002**

The Commission's representative informed the Committee to replace the current Annex I to Directive 2002/32/EC and all subsequent amendments by a new Annex I whereby it is proposed:
- to divide the annex in categories of undesirable substances
- to apply a consistent approach throughout the annex as regards presentation of the provisions and exceptions and to apply a consistent terminology
- to consider the revision clauses
- to consider requested (minor) changes to the annex, including the review of the footnotes as regards the analytical determination of the metals.

The Commission's representative indicated to have the intention, upon agreement of the Legal Service, to use a Commission Regulation as legal instrument to replace the current Annex.

12. **Assessment of the current provisions as regards mycotoxins in feed**

An exchange of views took place. While a number of delegations were in favour of maintaining the current approach to manage the risks from Fusarium-toxins in feed, other delegations expressed to be in favour of more strict legal measures as regards Fusarium-toxins in feed.

The Commission's representative indicated to work out an approach which would take into account the views expressed.

13. **Exchange of views and possible opinion on a draft Regulation (EC) concerning the authorisation of potassium diformate as a feed additive for sows (holder of authorisation BASF SE)**

(Document SANCO/10131/2009)

(Legal basis: Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003, Right of scrutiny of the European Parliament)

A discussion took place and the vote was taken.

The draft Regulation received a favourable opinion by qualified majority.

14. **Exchange of views and possible opinion on a draft Regulation (EC) concerning the authorisation of *Bacillus subtilis* ATCC PTA-6737 as a feed additive for chickens for fattening (holder of authorisation Kemin Europa N.V.)**

(Document SANCO/10132/2009)

(Legal basis: Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003, Right of scrutiny of the European Parliament)

A discussion took place and the vote was taken.

The draft Regulation received a favourable opinion by qualified majority.
15. Exchange of views and possible opinion on a draft Regulation (EC) concerning the authorisation of Manganese chelate of hydroxy analogue of methionine as a feed additive for chickens for fattening

(Document SANCO/10568/2009)

(Legal basis: Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003, Right of scrutiny of the European Parliament)

A discussion took place and the vote was taken.
The draft Regulation received a favourable opinion by qualified majority.

16. A.O.B.


**Application of Article 10 re-evaluation of feed additives**

Article 10 (5) Regulation (EC) N° 1831/2003 states that additives for which no dossiers or incomplete information is supplied should be withdrawn by means of a Regulation. This Regulation foresees a limited time for withdrawal from the market and until the end of that period, the product may stay on the market and being used as a feed additive.

Bernard Van Goethem,
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