IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MANDATORY DIOXIN MONITORING PROGRAMME FOR OILS AND FATS

FEFAC professional recommendation for the contractual requirement for suppliers of oils/fats subject to mandatory dioxin testing according to Regulation (EC) No 225/2012

1. Explanatory memorandum

Whereas compound feed manufacturers must be in a position to prove that the batch of feed fats and oils listed below under Scope, subject to mandatory Dioxin monitoring, or each batch of the relevant component parts thereof, has been analysed by the supplier or by someone else earlier in the chain;

Whereas Regulation (EC) No 225/2012 foresees that such evidence shall accompany any delivery of feed oils & fats subject to the mandatory monitoring (cf. § 5 of Annex on Dioxin Monitoring of Regulation (EC) No 225/2012);

FEFAC has adopted a professional recommendation for its members to only purchase fats and oils which are subject to the legal requirements for mandatory Dioxin testing under the conditions set out below.

FEFAC reminds its members that in cases they purchase fats and oils covered by the scope of Regulation (EC) No 225/2012 for use in feed, but which have not been tested at an earlier stage and thereby not proved to be compliant with the requirements of the Regulation, they will be obliged to adhere to the legal requirements laid down for feed fat business operators in addition to the legal verification requirements for compound feed laid down in Annex, section 4, 2. F (i), (ii).

This will cause considerable extra costs linked to the testing of both incoming fats and oils and of compound feed containing such fats and oils.

2. Scope

The fats and oils products for which proof of previous testing is required by feed compounders under this professional recommendation are as follows:

- Crude coconut oil 100% of batches
- Products derived from vegetable oils by oleochemical or biodiesel processing or distillation, chemical or physical refining. In the draft proposal for an update of the catalogue of feed materials, this corresponds in particular to the following products – 100 % of batches:
 - o acid oils from chemical refining,
 - o fatty acid distillates from physical refining,
 - o deodistillates, processed,
 - o crude fatty acids from splitting, pure distilled fatty acids from splitting.
 - Salts and esters of the above feed materials.
- Animal fat as defined in 2 (b) proof of testing at the rate of one sample per 2000 t (or more if the batch is homogenous)
- 100% other animal fat
- Fish oil as defined in 2 c) (i), (ii) and other fish oils not covered by c)
- Fish oil as defined in 2 c) (iii) proof of testing at the rate of one sample per 2000 t (or more if the batch is homogenous)
- Oils recovered from food industry 100% of batches
- Blended fats intended for feed 100% of batches (unless test results are supplied for the components thereof at the above rates).

3. FEFAC Professional recommendation

In addition to the applicable general product conditions, suppliers of fats/oils listed above under **2. Scope**, should be bound by contractual obligation to provide proof to the buyer that the product batch has been tested according to the legal Dioxin monitoring requirements laid down in § 2. under Commission Regulation (EU) No. 225/2012;

or,

in the case of blended fats, all batches of the components thereof, from which this delivery is drawn, has / have been tested according to the relevant legal Dioxin monitoring requirements (cf. § 2.), under Commission Regulation (EU) No. 225/2012;

by a laboratory using one of the official methods for dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs listed in the Annex to Commission Regulation (EC) 152/2009 (as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) 278/2012) and are in full compliance with that legislation (cf. § 4).

The test results for the batch or component batches are attached or have been provided prior to delivery via email / mail or the company website. (cf. § 5).