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**MARD phases out growth promotion usage of antibiotics in feed**

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**Report Highlights:**

Report Summary:

On May 31, 2016, MARD issued Circular 6/2016/TT-BNNPTNT regarding the list of antibiotics and antibiotic dosages allowed for use in animal feed for growth promotion in Vietnam. The list consists of fifteen (15) antibiotics and maximum and minimum dosages allowed for use in compound feed for chicken, quails, pigs having weight less than 60 kg, and calves less than 6 months old.

Circular 6/2016/TT-BNNPTNT restricts antibiotic use to a maximum of two antibiotics in one feed product. Use of more than two antibiotics in one animal feed product must be based on scientific documents. Circular 6 also regulates the use of premix in animal feed. Accordingly, only premixes containing less than 20% antibiotics are allowed to be mixed with animal feed. Circular 6 in Vietnamese is available at MARD website: http://law.omard.gov.vn/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=YJI55G8ZKWE%3d&tabid=40&mid=385


MARD’s policy on medicated feed, and feed with therapeutic doses of antibiotics, will now be less clear as Circular 81/2009/TT-BNNPTNT is due to be inactivated and Circular 6/2016/TT-BNNPT covers usage of antibiotics in feed for growth promotion purposes only.

Vietnam’s new Veterinary Law entered into force on July 1, 2016. Chapter V of the Law describes veterinary drug management in detail. However, the Law does not cover any provisions on the management of veterinary drugs in animal feed (see VM5068). To implement the Veterinary Law’s provision on veterinary management, MARD is drafting a Circular. The Circular regulates the labeling, testing, field trials, production, trading, importation, circulation and quality inspection of veterinary drugs. However, the Circular does not provide detail relating to the use of veterinary drugs in animal feed. The Draft of the Circular was notified to the WTO as SPS/VNM/75 on April 1, 2016. FAS-Hanoi will report on the Circular once it is approved and issued by MARD.
An unofficial translation of MARD’s Circular 6/2016/TT-BNNPTN follows:

CIRCULAR
Issuing the List of antibiotics and antibiotic dosages allowed for use in animal feed for growth promotion purposes in Vietnam

Pursuant to the Government’s Decree 199/2013/ND-CP dated November 26, 2013, defining the functions, tasks, power and organizational structure of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Department (MARD);
Pursuant to the Law on Penalties dated November 27, 2015;
Pursuant to the Law on Product and Commodity Quality dated January 21, 2007;
Pursuant to the Government’s Decree No. 08/2010/ND-CP dated February 05, 2010 on Animal Feed Management;
Based on suggestion from Director of the Livestock Production Department;
The Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development is issuing the List of antibiotics and dosage allowed for use in animal feed for growth promotion purpose in Vietnam.

Article 1. Scope of Application
This circular promulgates the List antibiotics and antibiotic dosages allowed for use in animal feed for growth promotion purpose in Vietnam.

Article 2. Subject of Application
This circular is applied for organizations, individuals producing, trading and using animal feed in Vietnam.

Article 3. General Principles
1. It is allowed to use a maximum of two antibiotics on the List attached with this Circular. In the case of using more than two antibiotics, it must be based on scientific documents.
2. Organizations and individuals are only allowed to use premix having antibiotic content not more than 20% to mix with compound animal feed at the dosage stipulated in this Circular; usage is not allowed for other purposes.
3. The List of antibiotics and antibiotic dosages allowed to be used for growth promotion purposes and promulgated by this Circular shall only be applicable by December 31, 2017.

Article 4. Transitional Provision
Antibiotics containing feed that are not compliance with this Circular are only allowed for use until December 31, 2016.
**Article 5. Implementation Effective**
1. This Circular enters into force on July 15, 2016.
2. This Circular replaces the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development’s Circular 81/2009/TT-BNNPTNT dated December 25, 2009 regarding the National Technical Regulations on management for the use of antibiotics in animal feed.

**Article 6. Implementation Management**
1. Assigns the Director General of the Livestock Production Department to take lead responsibility for state management of trading and usage of animal feed and premix products containing antibiotics stipulated in this Circular.
2. The Heads of MARD’s units, related organizations, and individuals are responsible for collaboration to implement the Circular./.

Minister of MARD
Signed and stamped

Cao Đức Phát

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**List of antibiotics and antibiotic dosages allowed for use in animal feed as growth promoter in Vietnam**

*(Promulgated by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development’s Circular 06/TT-BNNPTNT date 31 month 05 year 2016)*

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Note: * not allowed to use