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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 September 2003 on additives for use in animal nutrition[(1)], and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The use of 6-phytase (EC 3.1.3.26) (Quantum Phytase) as a feed additive for chickens for fattening, laying hens, ducks for fattening, turkeys for fattening and weaned piglets was authorised for 10 years by Commission Regulation (EC) No 554/2008 of 17 June 2008 concerning the authorisation of 6-phytase (EC 3.1.3.26) (Quantum Phytase) as a feed additive[(2)].

(2) In accordance with Article 13(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003, the holder of the authorisation has submitted an application with which it requests changing the terms of authorisation of that feed additive when used in laying hens by reducing the minimum recommended dose of 6-phytase (EC 3.1.3.26) (Quantum Phytase) from 2 000 FTU/kg to 250 FTU/kg. That application was accompanied by the relevant data supporting the request for the change.

(3) The European Food Safety Authority concluded in its opinion of 10 March 2010 that the additive 6-phytase (EC 3.1.3.26) (Quantum Phytase) is efficacious in laying hens at the requested minimum dose of 250 FTU/kg of complete feed[(3)].

(4) The conditions provided for in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 are satisfied.

(5) Regulation (EC) No 554/2008 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Regulation (EU) No 879/2010. (See end of Document for details)*

Article 1

The Annex to Regulation (EC) No 554/2008 is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 6 October 2010.

For the Commission

The President

José Manuel BARROSO

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ANNEX

Identification number of the additive	**Name of the holder of authorisation**	**Additive (Trade name)**	**Composition, chemical formula, description, analytical method**	**Species or category of animal**	**Maximum age**	**Minimum content**	**Maximum content**	**Other provisions**	**End of period of authorisation**
						Units of activity/kg of complete feedingstuff with a moisture content of 12 %			
Category of zootechnical additives. Functional group: digestibility enhancers									
‘4a5	AB Enzyme GmbH	6-phytase EC 3.1.3.26 (Quantum Phytase 2500 D Quantum Phytase 5000 L)	*Composition for the preparation of 6-phytase produced by Pichia pastoris (DSM 13927)* *Characterisation of the active substance* 6-phytase produced	*Chickens for fattening* *Laying hens* *Ducks for fattening* *Turkeys for fattening* *Piglets (weaned)*	— — — — —	500 FTU 250 FTU 250 FTU 1 000 FTU 100 FTU	— — — — —	1. In the directions for use of the additive and premixture, indicate the storage temperature, storage life, and stability to pelleting. 2. Recommended dose per kilogram of complete feedingstuff: — chickens for fattening: 500-2 500 FTU, — laying hens: 250 FTU,	8.7.2018

a	1 FTU is the amount of enzyme which liberates 1 micromole of inorganic phosphate per minute from sodium phytate at pH 5,5 and 37 °C.
b	Details of the analytical methods are available at the following address of the Community Reference Laboratory: www.irmm.jrc.be/crl-feed-additives’