COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 96/66/EC

of 14 October 1996

amending Council Directive 70/524/EEC concerning additives in feedingstuffs

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 70/524/EEC of 23 November 1970 concerning additives in feedingstuffs (1), as last amended by Directive 96/51/EC (2), and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas Directive 70/524/EEC provides for regular amendment of the content of its Annexes to take account of advances in scientific and technical knowledge; whereas the Annexes have been consolidated by Commission Directive 91/248/EEC (3);

Whereas new uses for additives belonging to the group Coccidiostats and other medicinal substances have been successfully tested in certain Member States; whereas the new uses should be authorized provisionally at national level pending their approval at Community level;

Whereas the Chernobyl accident caused radioactive caesium fallout which contaminated forage in certain regions of northern Europe; whereas, in order to protect human and animal health and introduce preventive measures to combat pollution by radioactive caesium nuclides, a new group of additives should be established, namely 'radionuclide binders'; whereas a new additive belonging to this group which allows absorption of caesium nuclides by animals to be substantially reduced has been successfully tested in certain Member States; whereas this new additive should be authorized provisionally at national level pending its approval at Community level;

Whereas the investigation of various additives currently listed in Annex II and therefore capable of authorization at national level has not yet been completed; whereas, therefore, the period of authorization of these substances should be extended for a specific period;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Feedingstuffs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

The Annexes to Directive 70/524/EEC are hereby amended as set out in the Annex to this Directive.

Article 2

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions needed to comply with the Annex to this Directive by 31 March 1997 at the latest. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

The provisions adopted by the Member States shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such reference at the time of their official publication. The procedure for such reference shall be adopted by the Member States.

2. Member States shall forward to the Commission the text of the main provisions of domestic law which they adopt in the subject area governed by this Directive.

Article 3

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

Article 4

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 October 1996.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 270, 14. 12. 1970, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 235, 17. 9. 1996, p. 39.
(3) OJ No L 124, 18. 5. 1991, p. 1.

ANNEX

1. Annex I:

1.1. In the English-language version, in part A 'Antibiotics,' item E 716 'Salinomycin sodium' and in part D 'Coccidiostats and other medicinal substances' item E 766 'Salinomycin sodium', the text of column 'Chemical formula, description' is replaced each time by the following text:

$C_{42}H_{69}O_{11}Na$ (sodium salt of a polyether monocarboxylic acid produced by *Streptomyces albus*)

Elaiophylin content: less than 42 mg per kg of salinomycin sodium

17-epi-20-desoxy-salinomycin content: less than 40 g per kg of salinomycin sodium

2. In Annex II:

2.1. In part A 'Antibiotics':

2.1.1. under item 30 'Virginiamycin' the date '30. 11. 1996' in the column 'Period of authorization' is replaced by '30. 11. 1997' for the category of animal 'Sows';

2.1.2. under item 31 'Bacitracin zinc' the date '30. 11. 1996' in the column 'Period of authorization' is replaced each time by '30. 11. 1997' for the categories of animal 'Chickens for fattening' and 'Pigs';

2.1.3. under item 32 'Ardacin' the date '30. 11. 1996' in the column 'Period of authorization' is replaced by '30. 11. 1997' for the category of animal 'Chickens for fattening';

2.2. In part D 'Coccidiostats and other medicinal substances':

2.2.1. under item 25 'Halofuginone' the date '30. 11. 1996' in the column 'Period of authorization' is replaced by '12. 7. 1997' for the category of animal 'Chickens reared for laying';

2.2.2. (a) under item 26 'Salinomycin sodium' the date '30. 11. 1996' in the column 'Period of authorization' is replaced by '30. 11. 1997' for the category of animal 'Rabbits for fattening';

(b) item 26 'Salinomycin sodium' is completed as follows:

No	Additive	Chemical formula, description	Species or category of animal	Maximum age	Minimum content	Maximum content	Other provisions	Period of authorization
					mg/kg of complete feedingstuff			
			'Chickens reared for laying	12 weeks	30	50	Indicate in the instructions for use: — "Dangerous for equines" — "This feedingstuff contains an ionophore; simultaneous use with certain medicinal substances (e.g. tiamulin) can be contraindicated"	30. 11. 1997'

(c) in the English-language version, item 26 'Salinomycin sodium', the text of column 'Chemical formula, description' is replaced each time by the following text:

'$C_{42}H_{69}O_{11}Na$ (sodium salt of a polyether monocarboxylic acid produced by *Streptomyces albus*)
Elaiophylin content: less than 42 mg per kg of salinomycin sodium
17-epi-20-desoxy-salinomycin content: less than 40 g per kg of salinomycin sodium';

2.2.3. under item 27 'Diclazuril', the date '30. 11. 1996' in the column 'Period of authorization' is replaced by '30. 11. 1997' for the category of animal 'Turkeys';