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# Update on feed additives

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# Overview of feed additives

- EU Regulation 1831/2003 controls the use of additives in animal nutrition.
- Feed additives are substances, micro-organisms or preparations, other than feed materials or premixtures, that are intentionally added to feed or water in order to perform a range of functions.
- Technological, sensory, nutritional or zootechnical function.

# Recent changes

- New additive group for mycotoxin binders.
- Commission Regulation on the status of certain feed products.
- Guidelines to determine the status of a feed product.
- Re-assessment and re-authorisation of many feed additives.
- Expected withdrawal of authorisation of orphan feed additives.
- Changes to the EU Register of Feed Additives.

# Creation of a new group of feed additives

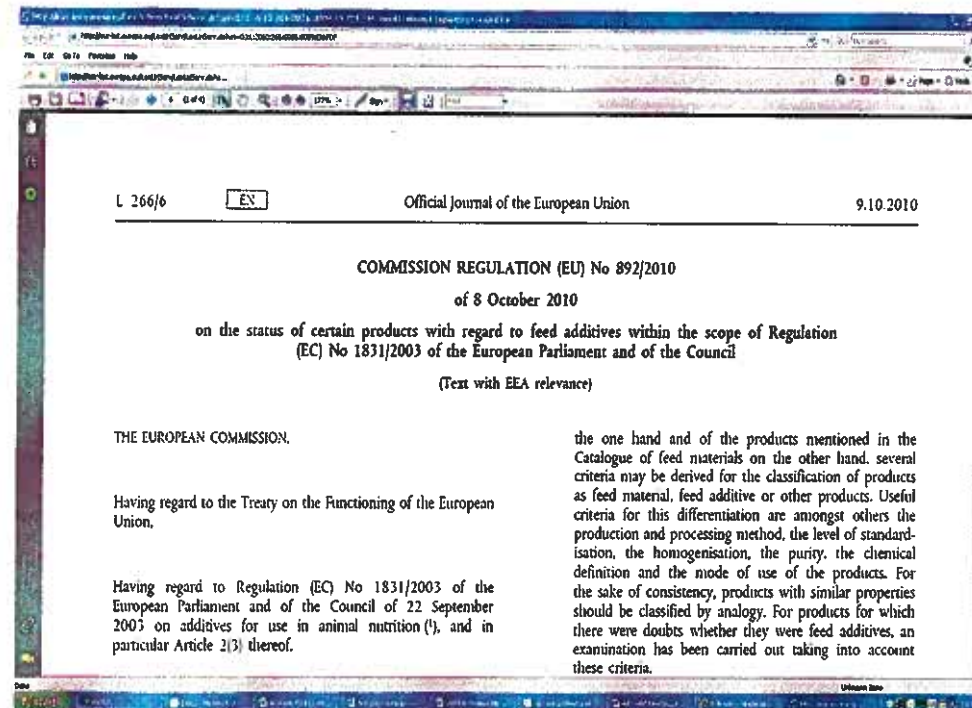
- Commission Regulation 386/2009 established a new functional group of feed additives:

*‘substances for reduction of the contamination of feed by mycotoxins: substances that can suppress or reduce the absorption, promote the excretion of mycotoxins or modify their mode of action.’* e.g. clays or microorganisms

- No authorised additives in this group yet, but applications have been submitted.

# Commission Regulation on the status of certain feed products

- Commission Regulation 892/2010 provides an opinion on the status of certain feed products.
- These products may show additive, veterinary medicinal or feed material properties.
- Promote consistent opinions on these products throughout the EU



# Guidelines to determine the status of a product

- Guidelines for the distinction between feed materials, feed additives, biocidal products and veterinary medicines.
- Criteria to allow distinction between the categories.
- A product can only be placed within one of these categories.

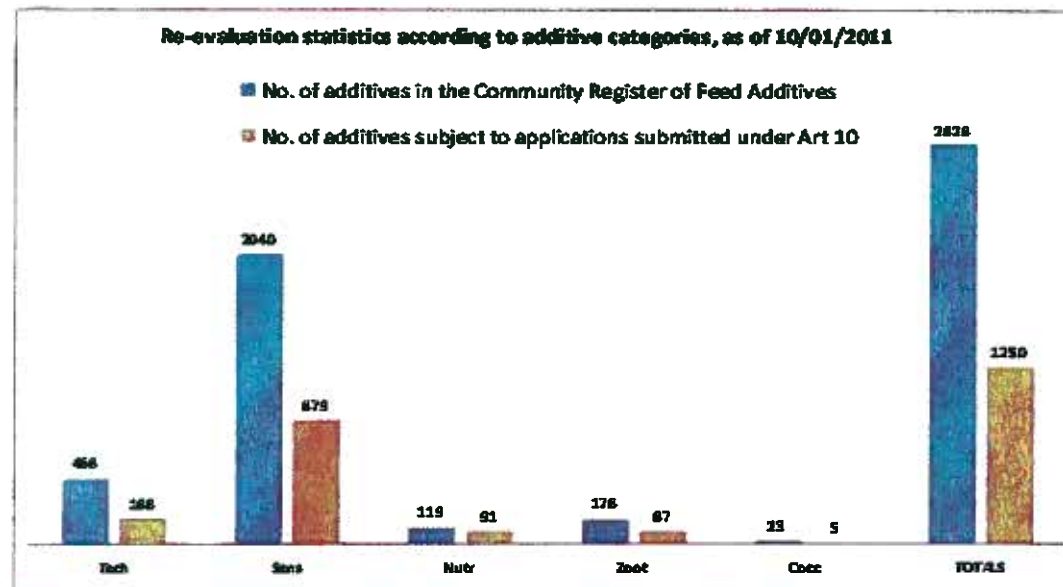
# Re-assessment and re-authorisation of feed additives

- Requirement for additives authorised under 70/524/EEC to be re-assessed and re-authorised after November 2010.
- Applications now submitted to the Commission and then considered by EFSA.
- 1250 additives subject to re-assessment.
- Possible changes to conditions of authorisation.
- Does the Committee have any views on the re-authorisation of any particular feed additives?



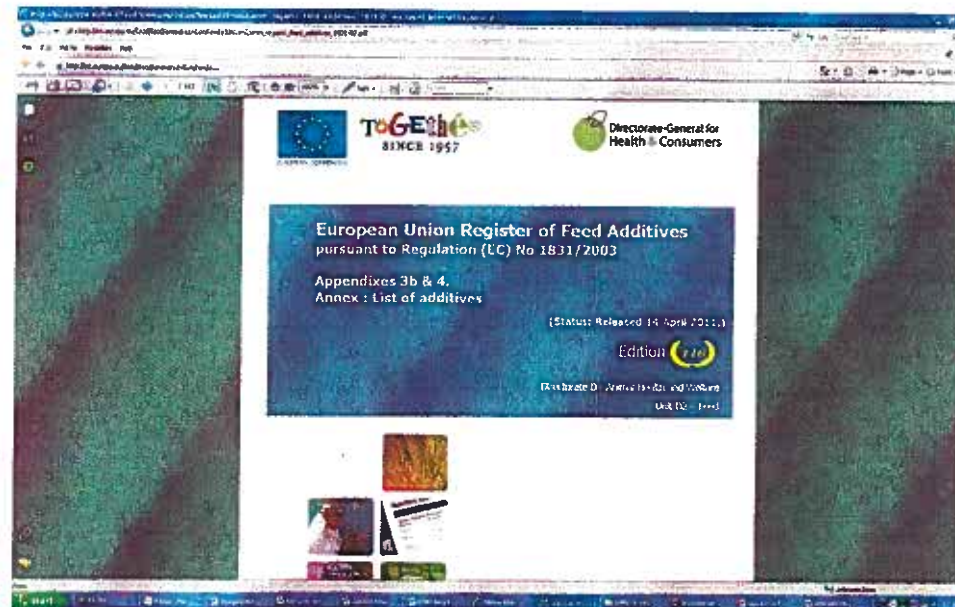
# Withdrawal of authorisation of orphan additives

- Additives that were not supported with applications for re-authorisation are known as 'orphan additives' and will be withdrawn from the market.
- 1578 additives orphaned in the re-authorisation process.



# Changes to the EU Register of Feed Additives

- Now in two separate annexes:
- Annex I – list of authorised feed additives
- Annex II – list of orphaned additives to be removed from the Register.



# The use of feed additives in water

- In December 2010, EFSA produced a self-tasked Opinion on the use of feed additives in water.
- Discussed at the March meeting of SCoFCAH Animal Nutrition Section.
- MSs and the Commission decided that additives in water considered on a case by case basis.
- Applications for re-authorisation that include use in water will be prioritised.

# Conclusion

- New additive group for mycotoxin binders.
- Guidelines to determine the status of a feed product.
- Commission Regulation on the status of certain feed products.
- Gradual re-assessment and re-authorisation of feed additives.
- Withdrawal of authorisation of orphan feed additives.
- Changes to the EU Register of Feed Additives.

# Questions

1. Does the Committee have any views on the re-authorisation of any particular feed additives?
2. Does the Committee have any views on the safety of feed additives in water?





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