DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

21 CFR Part 573

[Docket No. FDA–2019–F–5401]

Food Additives Permitted in Feed and Drinking Water of Animals; Guanidinoacetic Acid

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA, we, or the Agency) is amending the regulations for food additives permitted in feed and drinking water of animals to provide for the safe use of guanidinoacetic acid as a precursor of creatine in poultry feeds. This action is in response to a food additive petition filed by Alzchem Trostberg GmbH.

DATES: This rule is effective July 14, 2021. See section V of this document for further information on the filing of objections. Submit either electronic or written objections and requests for a hearing on the final rule by August 13, 2021.

ADDRESSES: You may submit objections and requests for a hearing as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed objections will not be considered. Electronic objections must be submitted on or before August 13, 2021. The https://www.regulations.gov electronic filing system will accept comments until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time at the end of August 13, 2021. Objections received by mail/hand delivery/Courier (for written/paper submissions) will be considered timely if they are postmarked or the delivery service acceptance receipt is on or before that date.

Electronic Submissions
Submit electronic objections in the following way:
• Federal eRulemaking Portal: https://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting objections. Objections submitted electronically, including attachments, to https://www.regulations.gov will be posted to the docket unchanged. Because your objection will be made public, you are solely responsible for ensuring that your objection does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as medical information, your or anyone else’s Social Security number, or confidential business information, such as a manufacturing process. Please note that if you include your name, contact information, or other information that identifies you in the body of your objection, that information will be posted on https://www.regulations.gov.
• If you want to submit an objection with confidential information that you do not wish to be made available to the public, submit the objection as a written/paper submission in the manner detailed (see “Written/Paper Submissions” and “Instructions”).

Written/Paper Submissions
Submit written/paper submissions as follows:
• Mail/Hand delivery/Courier (for written/paper submissions): Dockets Management Staff (HFA–305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.
• For written/paper objections submitted to the Dockets Management Staff, FDA will post your objection as well as any attachments, except for information submitted, marked and identified, as confidential, if submitted as detailed in “Instructions.”

Instructions: All submissions received must include the Docket No. FDA–2019–F–5401 for “Food Additives Permitted in Feed and Drinking Water of Animals; Guanidinoacetic Acid.” Received objections, those filed in a timely manner (see ADDRESSES), will be placed in the docket and, except for those submitted as “Confidential Submissions,” publicly viewable at https://www.regulations.gov or at the Dockets Management Staff between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, 240–402–7500.

• Confidential Submissions—To submit an objection with confidential information that you do not wish to be made publicly available, submit your objections only as a written/paper submission. You should submit two copies in total. One copy will include the information you claim to be confidential with a heading or cover note that states “THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.” The Agency will review this copy, including the claimed confidential information, in its consideration of objections. The second copy, which will have the claimed confidential information redacted/blacked out, will be available for public viewing and posted on https://www.regulations.gov. Submit both copies to the Dockets Management Staff. If you do not wish your name and contact information to be made publicly available, you can provide this information on the cover sheet and not in the body of your objections and you must identify this information as “confidential.” Any information marked as “confidential” will not be disclosed except in accordance with 21 CFR 10.20 and other applicable disclosure law. For more information about FDA’s posting of comments to public dockets, see 80 FR 56469, September 18, 2015, or access the information at: https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2015-09-18/pdf/2015-23389.pdf.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or the electronic and written/paper objections received, go to https://www.regulations.gov and insert the docket number, found in brackets in the heading of this document, into the “Search” box and follow the prompts and/or go to the Dockets Management Staff, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852, 240–402–7500.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background
In a document published in the Federal Register of November 29, 2019 (84 FR 65717), FDA announced that we had filed a food additive petition (animal use) (FAP 2309) submitted by Alzchem Trostberg GmbH, Dr.-Albert-Frank-Str. 32, 83308 Trostberg, Germany. The petition proposed that the regulations for food additives permitted in feed and drinking water of animals be amended to provide for the safe use of guanidinoacetic acid as a precursor of creatine in poultry feeds.

II. Conclusion
FDA concludes that the data establish the safety and utility of guanidinoacetic acid as a precursor of creatine in poultry feeds and that the food additive regulations should be amended as set forth in this document.

III. Public Disclosure
In accordance with §571.1(b) (21 CFR 571.1(b)), the petition and documents we considered and relied upon in reaching our decision to approve the petition will be made available for public disclosure (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT). As provided in §571.1(h), we will delete from the documents any materials that are not available for public disclosure.

IV. Analysis of Environmental Impact
We have determined under 21 CFR 25.32(e) that this action is of a type that does not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human
environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

V. Objections and Hearing Requests

Any person who will be adversely affected by this regulation may file with the Dockets Management Staff (see ADDRESSES) either electronic or written objections. Each objection shall be separately numbered, and each numbered objection shall specify with particularity the provision of the regulation to which objection is made and the grounds for the objection. Each numbered objection on which a hearing is requested shall specifically state. Failure to request a hearing for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on that objection. Each numbered objection for which a hearing is requested shall include a detailed description and analysis of the specific factual information intended to be presented in support of the objection in the event that a hearing is held. Failure to include such a description and analysis for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on the objection.

List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 573

Animal feeds, Food additives.

Therefore, 21 CFR part 573 is amended as follows:

PART 573—FOOD ADDITIVES PERMITTED IN FEED AND DRINKING WATER OF ANIMALS

1. The authority citation for part 573 continues to read as follows:


2. In §573.496, revise the introductory text and paragraphs (b) and (e)(2)(i) to read as follows:

§573.496 Guanidinoacetic acid.

The food additive, guanidinoacetic acid, may be safely used in poultry feeds in accordance with the following prescribed conditions:

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(b) The additive is used or intended for use at levels not to exceed 0.12 percent of the complete feed;

(1) To spare arginine in broiler chicken and turkey feeds; or

(2) As a precursor of creatine in poultry feeds.

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(ii) A statement to indicate the maximum use level of guanidinoacetic acid must not exceed 0.12 percent of the complete feed for poultry;

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Dated: July 7, 2021.

Janet Woodcock,

Acting Commissioner of Food and Drugs.

Dated: July 12, 2021.

Xavier Becerra,

Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

29 CFR Part 1910

[Docket No. OSHA–2020–0004]

RIN 1218–AD36

Occupational Exposure to COVID–19; Emergency Temporary Standard

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Department of Labor.

ACTION: Interim final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: OSHA is fixing minor errors in the interim final rule published on June 21, 2021, titled Occupational Exposure to COVID–19; Emergency Temporary Standard. OSHA's information collection estimates under the Paperwork Reduction Act.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

I. Summary and Explanation

On June 21, 2021, OSHA published an interim final rule establishing an emergency temporary standard (ETS) to protect healthcare and healthcare support service workers from occupational exposure to COVID–19 in settings where people with COVID–19 are reasonably expected to be present (86 FR 32376). In the Dates section of the preamble, the agency inadvertently included an incorrect docket number for submitting comments related to the information collection estimates under the Paperwork Reduction Act. The agency is submitting this document to correct this error.

In addition, in Section VI.B Economic Feasibility, several table references were incorrect or missing, some tables were incorrectly numbered, and one subsection heading was labeled incorrectly. Those changes are shown in the table below, titled “Table of Non-Substantive Corrections.”

II. Exemption From Notice-and-Comment Procedures

OSHA has determined that these corrections are not subject to the procedures for public notice and comment specified in the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553) or Section 6(b) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C. 655(b)). This rulemaking only corrects minor errors in the published rule and does not affect or change any existing rights or obligations. No stakeholder is likely to object to these corrections.

Therefore, the agency finds good cause that public notice and comment are unnecessary under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)(B), 29 U.S.C. 655(b), and 29 CFR 1911.5.

III. Correction of Publication

In FR Doc. 2021–12428 appearing in the Federal Register of June 21, 2021 (86 FR 32376), make the following corrections in the DATES section of the preamble.

On page 32376, in the second column, the second full paragraph is corrected to read as follows:

Comments due: Written comments, including comments on any aspect of this ETS and whether this ETS should become a final rule, must be submitted by July 21, 2021 in Docket No. OSHA–2020–0004. Comments on the information collection determination described in Section VII.K of the preamble (OMB Review under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995) may be submitted by August 20, 2021 in Docket Number OSHA–2021–0003.

In addition, the agency provides the following table, which contains a list of corrections of minor, non-substantive errors into section VI.B. These changes are to five table references within the text, six table numbers, and one subsection heading.