

Comp., p. 950; E.O. 13026, 61 FR 58767, 3 CFR, 1996 Comp., p. 228; E.O. 13099, 63 FR 45167, 3 CFR, 1998 Comp., p. 208; E.O. 13222, 66 FR 44025, 3 CFR, 2001 Comp., p. 783; E.O. 13224, 66 FR 49079, 3 CFR, 2001 Comp., p. 786; Notice of November 8, 2022, 87 FR 68015, 3 CFR, 2022 Comp., p. 563; Notice of September 7, 2023, 88 FR 62439 (September 11, 2023).

■ 2. Supplement No. 6 to Part 744 is amended under CHINA, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF, by removing the entries for "Chengde Oscillator Electronic Technology Co.", "China National Erzhong Group", "Ningbo III Lasers Technology Co., Ltd.", and "Xinjiang East Hope New Energy Company Ltd".

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Food and Drug Administration

#### 21 CFR Part 573

[Docket No. FDA-2020-F-0151]

#### Food Additives Permitted in Feed and Drinking Water of Animals; Calcium Formate

**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 calcium formate as a feed acidifying agent, to lower the pH, in complete swine and poultry feeds at levels not to exceed 1.2 percent of the complete feed. This action is in response to a food additive petition filed by LANXESS Corp.

**DATES:** This rule is effective December 19, 2023. See section V for further information on the filing of objections. Either electronic or written objections and requests for a hearing on the final rule must be submitted by January 18, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit objections and requests for a hearing as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed objections will not be considered. The <https://www.regulations.gov> electronic filing system will accept comments until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time at the end of January 18, 2024. Objections received by mail/hand delivery/courier (for

written/paper submissions) will be considered timely if they are received 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 and 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, Rm. 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-2020-F-0151 for "Food Additives Permitted in Feed and Drinking Water of Animals; Calcium Formate." 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 comments 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:** Wasima Wahid, Center for Veterinary Medicine (HFV-221), Food and Drug Administration, 7500 Standish Pl., Rockville, MD 20855, 240-402-5857, [wasima.wahid@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:wasima.wahid@fda.hhs.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

In a document published in the **Federal Register** of February 11, 2020 (85 FR 7682), FDA announced that we had filed a food additive petition (animal use) (FAP 2310) submitted by LANXESS Corp., 111 RIDC Park West Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15275. 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 calcium formate as a feed acidifying agent, to lower the pH, in complete feeds for swine or poultry.

## II. Conclusion

FDA concludes that the data establish the safety and utility of calcium formate as a feed acidifying agent, to lower the pH, in complete feeds for swine or poultry, and that the food additive regulations should be amended as set forth in this document.

## III. Public Disclosure

In accordance with § 571.1(h) (21 CFR 571.1(h)), 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(r) 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

If you will be adversely affected by one or more provisions of this regulation, you may file with the Dockets Management Staff (see **ADDRESSES**) either electronic or written objections. You must separately number each objection, and within each numbered objection you must specify with particularity the provision(s) to which you object, and the grounds for your objection. Within each numbered objection, you must specifically state whether you are requesting a hearing on the particular provision that you specify in that numbered objection. If you do not request a hearing for any particular objection, you waive the right to a hearing on that objection. If you request a hearing, your objection must include a detailed description and analysis of the specific factual information you intend to present in support of the objection in the event that a hearing is held. If you do not include such a description and analysis for any particular objection, you waive the right to a hearing on the objection.

### List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 573

Animal feeds, Food additives.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, 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:

**Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 321, 342, 348.

■ 2. Add § 573.230 to subpart B to read as follows:

### § 573.230 Calcium formate.

The food additive calcium formate may be safely used in the manufacture of complete swine and poultry feeds in accordance with the following prescribed conditions:

(a) The additive is manufactured by the reaction of butyraldehyde, formaldehyde, calcium hydroxide, and formic acid in water followed by purification and dried to produce a powder consisting of not less than 99.0 percent calcium formate (CAS 544-17-2). The additive meets the following specifications:

(1) The additive consists of minimum 30.5 percent calcium and minimum 68.5 percent formate.

(2) Trimethylolpropane (TMP) not to exceed 125 parts per million.

(b) The additive is used or intended for use as a feed acidifying agent, to lower the pH, in complete swine or poultry feeds at levels not to exceed 1.2 percent of the complete feed.

(c) To ensure safe use of the additive, formic acid and formate salts from all added sources cannot exceed 1.2 percent of complete feed when multiple sources of formic acid and its salts are used in combination.

(d) To ensure safe use of the additive, in addition to the other information required by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the label and labeling shall contain:

(1) The name of the additive.

(2) Adequate directions for use including a statement that calcium formate must be uniformly applied and thoroughly mixed into complete feeds and that the complete feeds so treated shall be labeled as containing calcium formate.

(3) Cautions for use including this statement: Caution: Follow label directions. Formic acid and formate salts from all added sources cannot exceed 1.2 percent of complete feed when multiple sources of formic acid and its salts are used in combination.

(e) To ensure safe use of the additive, in addition to the other information required by the act and paragraph (d) of this section, the label and labeling shall contain:

(1) Appropriate warnings and safety precautions concerning calcium formate.

(2) Statements identifying calcium formate as a possible severe irritant.

(3) Information about emergency aid in case of accidental exposure as follows.

(i) Statements reflecting requirements of applicable sections of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act, and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) human safety guidance regulations.

(ii) Contact address and telephone number for reporting adverse reactions or to request a copy of the Safety Data Sheet (SDS).

Dated: December 14, 2023.

**Lauren K. Roth,**

*Associate Commissioner for Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

### 22 CFR Part 181

[Public Notice: 12266]

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### Publication, Coordination, and Reporting of International Agreements: Amendments; Correction

**AGENCY:** Department of State.

**ACTION:** Final rule; technical amendment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State (“Department”) finalizes regulations regarding the publication, coordination, and reporting of international agreements, which were published for comment on October 2. No comments were received. In addition, the Department is amending one of the provisions to remove misleading text in the description of the criteria with respect to qualifying non-binding instruments in the amended rule.

**DATES:** This rule is effective on December 19, 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Mattler, Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Office of the Legal Adviser, Department of State, Washington, DC 20520, (202) 647-1345, or at [treatyoffice@state.gov](mailto:treatyoffice@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On October 2, 2023, the Department published a rulemaking (the “final rule”) that amended 22 CFR part 181 to implement section 5947 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 (Pub. L. 117-263) (“the NDAA”). Section 5947 amended 1 U.S.C. 112a and 1 U.S.C. 112b, known as the Case-Zablocki Act, regarding the publication, coordination, and reporting