FEED INDUSTRY MEMORANDUM NO. 3-18

CHLORTETRACYCLINE IN DEER FEEDS

OBJECTIVE:

To clarify the policy of the Office of the Texas State Chemist regarding the use of chlortetracycline in deer feeds.

BACKGROUND:

The Texas Commercial Feed Control Act §141.004 and Commercial Feed Rules §61.22(5)(B)(iii) define the Office of the Texas State Chemist’s authority to approve new ingredients and their uses.

POLICY:

(a) The Office of the Texas State Chemist will allow the use of chlortetracycline in deer feeds for growth promotion and improved feed efficiency at the rate of 40 grams per ton.

(b) Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, chlortetracycline in interstate commerce may not be used in deer feed in Texas, nor may the resulting medicated feed be introduced into interstate commerce.

(c) Labels and labeling should state “For increased rate of weight gain and improved feed efficiency.”

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