

Association of American Feed Control Officials (AAFCO) 2013 Update

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- FDA Advisor, TBD (OP)

2014 AAFCO Board of Directors (Effective January 1, 2014)

- Dr. Kevin Armbrust, previously the State Chemist from the state of Mississippi, has taken a new academic position in Louisiana State University, as

Clairborne Chair & Professor of
Environmental Science
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, LA

News Item:
Former AAFFCO
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- Strengthen Org Infrastructure
 - Engagement with Partnership for Food Protection
 - Training future leaders
- Enhance Communications
 - Better access through AAFCO Online Official Publication
 - Engaged Federation of Animal Science Societies (FASS) to aid AAFCO (~ 2 year)
- Emphasize feed and food safety
 - Animal Feed Regulatory Program Standards engagement
 - Food Safety Modernization Act
 - Partnership for Food Protection
 - FDA Preventive Controls rule

2013-2016 Strategic Plan Highlights (not all)

- Annual October event with CVM, ORA, CFSAN, OP
- Good exchange and updates with Senior Staff, technical staff, and program leaders.
- Issues:
 - FDAAA progress on future of Official Publication ingredient definition recognition by FDA. Legislative fix. Path forward?
 - All FSMA Rules
 - overarching dialogue on what “partnership with states” means – complementary authorities or mirrored equivalent authorities?
 - Clarification of roles for FDA, states, local, and industry in producing an Integrated Food Safety System.
 - Many others

AAFCO – FDA meeting

■ The FSMA Rules:

- Preventive Controls Human Food and Animal Feed
- Produce Rules –
 - “mixed facility” definition – implications for on-farm presence
 - Side discussions among NASDA leadership about state internal structures to address issues raised by the produce rule. Particularly regarding on-farm presence by agencies that have been traditionally non ag
- Foreign Supplier Verification Programs
 - Added public meetings
- Accreditation of Third-Party Auditors/Certification Bodies
 - Added public meetings

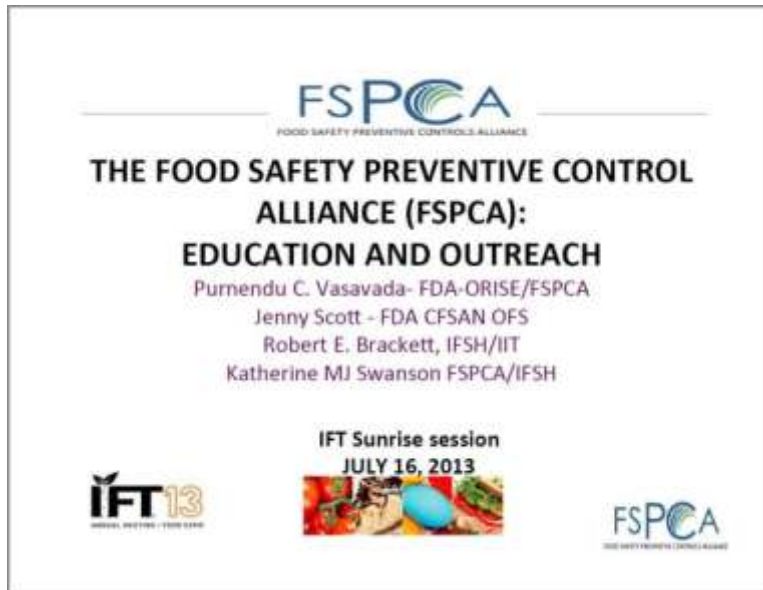
FSMA Rules

- Broadly stated purpose: To attain greater consistency and expected consistencies in state and federal animal feed programs, which differ from human food programs.
- Sequestration funding may limit program implementation.
- Without FDA funds, some states may still proceed to the extent existing resources permit.
- Pertains to improved performance in state programs, not in regulated facilities.
- Very similar to Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Standards, but human food/animal feed need to be differentiated.

Animal Feed Regulatory Program Standards (AFRPS)

FDA GRANT: Building an Integrated Laboratory System to Advance the Safety of Food and Animal Feed

- FDA 5-year grant to APHL, AFDO, and AAFCO
- \$1.5 million Yr 1 reduced to \$750K Yr 2, due to sequestration. AAFCO share ca. \$187,500. Future funding not defined.
- Nancy Thiex (SD Emeritus), is AAFCO Program Manager for the grant.
- Implications: Immediate restrictions are not debilitating. The progress made in the feed goals may be slowed significantly, if funding is not restored. Raises discussion about feed and food priorities in the IFSS.



Food Safety Preventive Controls Alliance (FSPCA)

- Illinois Institute of Technology – FDA grant recipient
- Similar to other Alliance's formed to implement FDA FSMA Rules and strategies.
- IIT Institute for Food Safety and Health
- AAFCO Representatives
 - Steering Committee –
 - Robert Waltz (IN) (AAFCO)
 - Animal Feeds Subcommittee – Currently not active – rule expected to be released soon
 - Kim Young (FDA-CVM) (AAFCO)
 - Dave Fairfield (NGFA) (AAFCO)
 - Mike Davidson (CA) (AAFCO)
 - Continuation Subcommittee, Jerry Wojtala (IFPTI) Chair
 - Robert Waltz (IN) (AAFCO)

Food Safety Preventive Controls Alliance (FSPCA)(2)

<http://www.iit.edu/ifsh/alliance/>

■ AAFCO is involved:

- Robert Waltz (IN), Governing Council
- John Breitsman (PA), Coordinating Council
- Dan Danielson (TN), Coordinating Council, National Feed Sampling
- Jenny Murphy (FDA), major leadership roles
- Darlene Krieger (FDA), National Feed Sampling
- Liz Higgins (NM), Animal Feed Network (formerly PetNet)
- Brett Groves (IN), Training & Certification Committee

Partnership for Food Protection (PFP)

- All FSMA rules will require training for both regulators and the regulated.
- FDA will have a strong presence in the training and in the field – how it will implement FSMA charges and trainings is yet to be clarified.
- Integrated Food Safety System anticipates that all parties, i.e., federal, state, locals, will have inter related, defined roles to play. These roles will require training and cross training at all levels to bring an effective IFSS.

Trainings, Trainings, and Trainings

- Preventive Controls Alliance, IFPTI, FDA, Cooperative Extension Service, and many others expected, will be training providers of an approved curriculum.
- Preventive Controls for Human Food Curriculum and related processes will serve as template for Animal Feed preventive Controls.
- How these several trainings will be coordinated and funded in support of an IFSS is an active discussion.

Trainings, Trainings, and Trainings (2)

- Now 100% functional, order the 2013 Official Publication for \$70 at www.aafco.org
- The online copy is a read-only copy-protected searchable version of the Official Publication. It has areas to add comments and personal notes.
- Purchase also gains access to discussion boards on all the topics AAFCO works on and to reference documents used by the committees as they do their work.
- The 2014 AAFCO Online Official Publication will be available to order in November 2013 for \$125 or buy both the online and paper copy for \$200.

AAFCO Online Official Publication

- Which version is “Official”?
AAFCO builds model regulations that states or nations can adopt to regulate feed.
- The OP is planned to be updated after each membership vote.
- The regulations the government entity adopts are the rules firms must follow. Many firms and states already recognize ingredient definitions long before they reach official status. Firms are encouraged to work closely with those enforcing the state law to determine what is allowed in your marketplace.

AAFCO Online Official Publication (2)

- AAFCO is busy with many new issues both external and internal.
- AAFCO is attempting to address internal supports by training upcoming leaders.
- AAFCO is engaging those outside the organization through various means, PFP, grants, AAFCO meetings, comments on FSMA rules, trainings, etc.
- Training will be a much larger issue in the very near future.
- FSMA Rules and their implications are continuing issues for AAFCO and member states.
- AFRPS will be increasingly important for demonstration of feed program attainment to accepted standards.

Summary

Thank you for Asking about AAFCO

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