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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 September 2003 on additives for use in animal nutrition<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 13(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 provides for the possibility to modify the authorisation of a feed additive further to a request from the holder of the authorisation and an opinion of the European Food Safety Authority ('the Authority').
- (2) The use of decoquinate belonging to the group of coccidiostats and other medicinal substances was authorised for ten years in accordance with Directive 70/524/EEC<sup>2</sup> as a feed additive for the use on chickens for fattening by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1289/2004<sup>3</sup>.
- (3) The holder of the authorisation submitted an application requesting a reduction in the authorised withdrawal period from three days to zero days and the introduction of maximum residue limits (MRLs) for liver (1.0 mg/kg), kidney (0.8 mg/kg) muscle (0.5 mg/kg) and skin/fat (1.0 mg/kg). The holder of the authorisation submitted the relevant data to support its request.
- (4) The Authority concluded in its opinion of 12 September 2013<sup>4</sup> that the modification from three days to zero days of withdrawal time does not compromise consumer safety and the new data submitted confirm that no MRLs are necessary.
- (5) The conditions provided for in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 are satisfied.
- (6) Regulation (EC) No 1289/2004 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 268, 18.10.2003, p. 29.

<sup>2</sup> Directive 70/524/EEC of the Council of 23 November 1970 concerning additives in feedingstuffs (OJ L 270, 14.12.1970, p. 1).

<sup>3</sup> Commission Regulation (EC) No 1289/2004 of 14 July 2004 concerning the authorisation for 10 years of the additive Deccox® in feedingstuffs, belonging to the group of coccidiostats and other medicinal substances (OJ L 243, 15.7.2004, p. 15).

<sup>4</sup> EFSA Journal 2011; 9(1):1954.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

The Annex to Regulation (EC) No 1289/2004 is replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

*For the Commission*  
*The President*  
*José Manuel BARROSO*