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concerning the authorisation of *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* CECT 5940 as a feed additive for chickens for fattening and chickens reared for laying (holder of authorisation Evonik Nutrition & Care GmbH)

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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) .../...

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concerning the renewal of the authorisation of *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* CECT 5940 as a feed additive for chickens for fattening, its authorisation for chickens reared for laying, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1292/2008 (holder of authorisation Evonik Nutrition & Care GmbH)

(Text with EEA relevance)

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 nutrition¹, and in particular Article 9(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 provides for the authorisation of additives for use in animal nutrition and for the grounds and procedures for granting and renewing such authorisation.
- (2) *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* CECT 5940 was authorised for 10 years as a feed additive for chickens for fattening by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1292/2008².
- (3) In accordance with Article 14 of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003, in conjunction with Article 7 thereof, an application was submitted by the holder of the authorisation of *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* CECT 5940 as a feed additive for the renewal of the authorisation for chickens for fattening, and for a new authorisation for chickens reared for laying, requesting that additive to be classified in the additive category ‘zootechnical additives’. That application was accompanied by the particulars and documents required under Articles 7(3) and 14(2) of that Regulation.
- (4) The European Food Safety Authority (‘the Authority’) concluded in its opinion of 28 January 2020³ that the applicant has provided data demonstrating that the additive complies with the conditions of authorisation. The Authority confirmed its previous conclusions that *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* CECT 5940 does not have an adverse effect on animal health, consumer safety or the environment. It also concluded that it is not an irritant to skin/eye or a skin sensitiser but should be considered a potential respiratory sensitiser. Therefore, the Commission considers that appropriate protective measures should be taken to prevent adverse effects on human health, in particular as regards to users of the additive. The Authority also concluded that the additive has the potential to be efficacious in chickens reared for laying.

¹ OJ L 268, 18.10.2003, p. 29.

² Commission Regulation (EC) No 1292/2008 of 18 December 2008 concerning the authorisation of *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* CECT 5940 (Ecobiol and Ecobiol plus) as a feed additive (OJ L 340, 19.12.2008, p. 36).

³ EFSA Journal 2020;18(2):6014.

- (5) The assessment of *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* CECT 5940 shows that the conditions for authorisation, as provided for in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003, are satisfied. Accordingly, the authorisation of that additive should be renewed as specified in the Annex to this Regulation.
- (6) As a consequence of the renewal of the authorisation of *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* CECT 5940 as a feed additive under the conditions laid down in the Annex to this Regulation, Regulation (EC) No 1292/2008 should be repealed.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The authorisation of the additive specified in the Annex, belonging to the additive category ‘zootechnical additives’ and to the functional group ‘gut flora stabilisers’ for chickens reared for laying, is renewed for the same category and functional group for chickens for fattening subject to the conditions laid down in that Annex.

Article 2

Regulation (EC) No 1292/2008 is repealed.

Article 3

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
Ursula VON DER LEYEN