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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 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 such an authorisation.
- (2) In accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003, an application was submitted for the authorisation of a preparation of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* NCIMB 12674/ DSM 35357. That application was accompanied by the particulars and documents required under Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003.
- (3) The application concerns the authorisation of the preparation of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* NCIMB 12674/ DSM 35357 as a feed additive for all animal species, requesting that additive to be classified in the category 'technological additives' and in the functional group 'silage additives'.
- (4) The European Food Safety Authority ('the Authority') in its opinion of 31 August 2025² concluded that the preparation of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* NCIMB 12674/ DSM 35357 is safe for all animal species, consumers and the environment. Regarding user safety, the Authority concluded that the preparation should be considered a skin and respiratory sensitiser, but it could not conclude on the eye irritancy potential of the preparation. Furthermore, the Authority concluded that the addition of the preparation of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* NCIMB 12674/ DSM 35357 at a minimum level of 1×10^9 CFU/kg fresh plant material has the potential to improve the production and fermentation quality of silage made from moderately difficult to ensile fresh plant material. However, it could not conclude on the efficacy of the preparation on easy to ensile and difficult to ensile plant materials. The Authority also verified the report on the method of analysis of the feed additive in feed submitted by the Reference Laboratory set up by Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003.
- (5) In view of the above, the Commission considers that the preparation of *Pediococcus pentosaceus* NCIMB 12674/ DSM 35357 satisfies the conditions provided for in

¹ OJ L 268, 18.10.2003, p. 29, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2003/1831/oj>.

² EFSA Journal, 23(9), e9634. <https://doi.org/10.2903/j.efsa.2025.9634>.

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Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003. Accordingly, the use of that preparation should be authorised for all animal species. In addition, the Commission considers that appropriate protective measures should be taken to prevent adverse effects on the health of the users of the additive.

- (6) 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

Authorisation

The preparation specified in the Annex, belonging to the additive category ‘technological additives’ and to the functional group ‘silage additives’, is authorised as an additive in animal nutrition, subject to the conditions laid down in that Annex.

Article 2

Entry into force

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