

Marketing of compound feedingstuffs and circulation of feed materials

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The Council's common position accepts in substance the Commission's proposal by only bringing about some amendments, that the Commission is able to accept. These amendments further clarify the intention of the measure and strengthen it in the light of the BSE and dioxin crisis. The main amendments introduced by the Council aim essentially to : - harmonise the terminology used in Community legislation in force, in particular the replacement of the word "marketing" by "putting into circulation", which had been introduced in Community legislation in the last decade; - specify that the quality of compound feedingstuffs for animals depends also on the minimum storage life of additives contained in the feed material and requires that this is made clear to the end user; - introduce a distinction as regards the quality requirements for the feed materials that are put into circulation and those which are put to direct use in animal nutrition. It is provided that neither may represent a danger to animal or human health or to the environment; - guarantee the traceability of a wider range of feed materials than those covered by Directive 90/667/EEC.