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PROPOSAL FOR
REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

on the subsidy for dehydrated fodder

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

During its meeting of 21-23 March last, the Council decided to create a common organization of the market for dehydrated fodder, on the basis of a draft Regulation on the common organization of the market for dehydrated fodder.

This draft Regulation lays down the general rules to be applied in the sector in question, and in particular

- the criteria relating to the determination of the minimum quality of the dehydrated fodder;
- the conditions which the dehydrating enterprises must fulfil to be eligible for the subsidy;
- the general rules concerning the control for eligibility for the subsidy;
- the criteria according to which the contracts between the dehydrating enterprises and the green fodder producers should be concluded.

The amount of the financial incidence has been envisaged within the framework of the basic Regulation on the common organization of the market for dehydrated fodder.

Draft proposal for

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Regulation (EEC) No./74 of the Council, of
1974, on the common organisation of the markets for dehydrated fodder (1),
and in particular Article 3 (4) and Article 4(4) thereof;

Having regard to the proposal of the Commission.

Whereas criteria relative to the minimum quality of dehydrated fodder eligible
for a subsidy, based on commercial usage, should be determined;

Whereas dehydrating enterprises should fulfil the necessary conditions to
establish eligibility for the subsidy; whereas it is therefore laid down that
these enterprises should keep accounts including the details necessary for
the control of eligibility for the subsidy and should furnish any other neces-
sary proof;

Whereas, where there are no contracts between the producers and the dehydrating
enterprises, other information should be furnished by the latter for the pur-
poses of control of eligibility for the subsidy;

Whereas the contracts should, on the one hand, promote regular supplies for
the enterprises and, on the other, likewise permit the producers to benefit
from the subsidy; whereas, to this end, it should be laid down that the con-
tracts include a reference to the price, the quantities and the deadline and
quantity involved in each delivery;

Whereas for the efficient management of the subsidy system, a control is neces-
sary to ensure that the subsidy is only granted for those products which are
eligible for it;

Whereas to ensure the correct application of the subsidy system, it should be
laid down that the subsidy is fixed for dehydrated fodder with the moisture
content which ensures that it will keep well;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

(1) OJ No. L ... of1974, p. ..

Article 1

The subsidy shall only be granted for dehydrated fodder fulfilling the following conditions :

1. An ash content in dry matter no greater than a percentage to be determined
2. A protein content in dry matter no less than a percentage to be determined.

Article 2

1. The subsidy may only be granted to those dehydrating enterprises which :
 - a) keep accounts which include, at least, details
 - of the quantities of green fodder taken in
 - of the quantities of dehydrated fodder produced as well as of the quantities and quality of the output of dehydrated fodder from the enterprise;
 - b) furnish, where appropriate, any other necessary proof for the control of eligibility for the subsidy;

2. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 1, enterprises which work with their own production, or that of their members, shall submit each year to an authority designated by the Member State, before a date to be determined, a declaration of the acreage of which the green fodder harvest is destined for dehydration.

Article 3

1. The contracts referred to in Article 3 (2), second inset, of Regulation (EEC) No /.../74 shall have as their object the purchase by the dehydrating enterprises of green fodder produced during one or several marketing years.
2. The contracts shall include, at least :
 - the price accorded to the producer,
 - the quantities of green fodder to be delivered,
 - the deadline and the quantity involved in each delivery.

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Article 4

The Member States shall set up a system of control in order to be able to verify, for each enterprise,

- the fulfilment of the conditions defined in the preceding Articles;
- the correlation between the quantity for which the subsidy has been requested and the quantity of dehydrated fodder of the minimum quality produced in that enterprise.

Article 5

The determination of the weight and the taking of samples shall be carried out when the dehydrated fodder leaves the enterprise.

Article 6

1. The subsidy shall be fixed for dehydrated fodder with a moisture content of 10 %.
2. The amount of the subsidy shall be calculated on the basis of the weight which has been adjusted in respect of the difference which may exist between the percentage of moisture ascertained and 10 %.

Article 7

This Regulation shall enter into force on 15 May 1974.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President.

