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## draft specifications for "petfoods" based on organically-produced feed materials

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#### **4. Notification Number**

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#### **5. Title**

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#### **6. Products Concerned**

organically-produced feed materials obtained in France and intended for species of pets (or domestic animals) and in particular dogs and cats.

#### **7. Notification Under Another Act**

Yes, Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 of 24 June 1991, amended in particular by Council Regulation No 1804/1999 and supplemented by Commission Regulation (EC) No 223/2003 of 5 February 2003.

a) Framework Directive 2000/13/EC on the labelling, presentation and advertising of foodstuffs (OJ L 33/79).

#### **8. Main Content**

The draft specifications fall within the framework of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 of 24 June 1991 on organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs.

It supplements, in particular, the provisions of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1804/1999 of 19 June 1999 by the following provisions:

It covers the method of preparation, labelling, inspection and certification of petfoods - excluding farmed livestock (productive livestock) covered by Regulations (EEC) No 2092/91 and (EC) No 223/2003, composed of organically-produced feed materials. It shall apply pending the adoption of a Community Regulation on petfoods based on organically-produced feed materials.

It lays down provisions on references to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising of these petfoods, the origin and quality of raw materials used for the preparation of these feeds and the rules of preparation and packaging. The provisions on inspection refer to Regulations (EEC) No 2092/91 and (EC) No 223/2003.

Keywords: organic farming; organic production method; petfoods

#### **9. Brief Statement of Grounds**

Whereas the need to assess on the one hand the parts of the carcasses and offal from the organic production method which are not consumed by humans and on the other to offer pet owners feeds that comply with the physiological needs of pets composed entirely of organically-produced feed materials, and/or natural products not having undergone any chemical treatment during their storage or their processing, and/or of additional



products authorised by these specifications;

Whereas the demand for conformity inspection of these feeds by an independent third party approved by a competent authority and complying with standard EN 45011;

pending the amendment of the European legislation applying Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 2091/91 amended, these specifications are subject to approval in application of Article 645-1 of the Rural Code and of Decree No 96-193 of 12 March 1996, in particular Article 35, thereof.

#### **10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts**

Article L-645.1 of the Rural Code;  
- Decree No 96-193 of 12 March 1996.

Documents already forwarded with Notification No 2000/0280/F.

#### **11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure**

No

#### **12. Grounds for the Emergency**

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#### **13. Confidentiality**

No

#### **14. Fiscal measures**

No

#### **15. Impact assessment**

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#### **16. TBT and SPS aspects**

TBT and SPS aspects:

TBT Aspect No

The draft does not have any notable impact on international trade.

SPS Aspect: No

- The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure pursuant to Annex A of the SPS Agreement.

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