

June 26, 2015

NOTICE TO INDUSTRY

CHANGE IN COMMERCIAL FEED LICENSE FEE

Effective July 1, 2015, the annual commercial feed license fee will be set at five hundred dollars (\$500) for each location where commercial feed is manufactured, distributed, sold, or stored for later sale. This change is due to an amended regulation, which increased the feed license fee by \$100.

The Feed Inspection Advisory Board recommended to the Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), to set the annual feed license fee at five hundred dollars (\$500) for each location, per Section 15053 of the California Food and Agriculture Code (FAC). The commercial feed license fee will be increasing from four hundred dollars (\$400) per year to five hundred dollars (\$500) per year for each location, effective July 1, 2015. All licenses should be renewed on July 1 of each year and shall be valid until June 30 of the next year. If a license is not renewed within one calendar month following its expiration, a penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100) shall be added to the fee.

The FAC Section 15053 (a) set the minimum license fee at one hundred dollars (\$100) per year, and the maximum license fee at six hundred dollars (\$600) per year for each location with the specific fee to be set by the Secretary of Agriculture upon recommendation of the Feed Inspection Advisory Board. It also specifies that revenues generated from the license fees shall be used to replenish feed inspection program reserves to a minimum of 25 percent of program expenditures, after which point some of the revenues from these fees shall be used to reduce feed tonnage taxes upon recommendation of the Feed Inspection Advisory Board.

Section 15054 of the FAC specifies that the commercial feed license shall be renewed July 1 of each year and shall be valid until June 30 of the following year. Section 15055 of the CFAC specifies that the fee for failure to renew a license within one month of expiration is an additional one hundred dollars (\$100) to the license fee.

For questions regarding the commercial feed license fee, please call the Feed Inspection Program at (916) 900-5022

Sincerely,

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