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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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Subject : **Requirement for Certification of Analyses (COAs)
for Chloramphenicol and Nitrofurans of All Raw
Materials for Aquatic Feed Production**

Nationwide monitoring of aquatic feeds and reports to the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources revealed that some mixed feeds and raw materials contain banned antibiotics such as chloramphenicol and nitrofurans. This constitutes a gross violation under the R.A. No. 1556, The Livestock and Poultry Feeds Act, as amended by P.D. No. 7, and R.A. No. 3720, Foods, Drugs and Devices and Cosmetics Act as amended by E.O. No. 175 and subsequent Orders enacted thereafter.

In order, therefore, to assure quality aquatic feeds, all raw materials are required to have Certificate of Analyses (COAs) specific for chloramphenicol and nitrofurans. The COAs issued by a competent authority of government official laboratories must include the method of analysis used and level of detection.

This Order is issued for quality assurance of fisheries products of aquaculture origin.

For strict compliance.

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