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Re Followup reference case number 2019-NL-82EG-01

Dear 10.2.e , dear 10.2.e

First of all I would like to apologize for this belated reaction. In follow up to my previous correspondence I would like to provide you with the information I have received from the company concerned, VION. Establishment NL-82-EG, VION Scherpenzeel is part of this company.

As I have mentioned before, 2-amino-flubendazole is a substance which is allowed to use in the EU, with an established MRL. For this reason, the competent authority, the Netherlands Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority (NVWA), was not able to investigate the event and to verify the measures. The responsibility to guarantee that no residues of the substance will be found in the meat product lies with the Industry.

The company has delivered a letter to 10.2.e of the Netherlands, in order to address the points raised by 10.2.a in their letter of October 10, 2019, and give more clarity on additional measures they have taken to prevent future violations regarding the presence of the substance 2-aminoflubendazole in their meat products.

The letter and annexes of VION company details the root cause of the violation occurred and the establishments' plan to prevent such violations in the future. Based on the now clear requirements concerning residues, NVWA will develop a new, better standard. In this new standard the differences in residues between 10.2.a and NL will be further addressed and where necessary verification activities by NVWA will be adjusted. NVWA will accordingly review if the establishments renewed procedure is made to measure the new standard.

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Hope to have informed you sufficiently.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures

- 1. VION Letter
 - a. Appendix 1 Risk based antibiotics residue control
 - b. Appendix 2 Lab results 2-amino-flubendazole

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Reference Case Number: 2019-NL-82EG-01

Dear 10.2.e

10.2.a received your responses to 10.2.a point-of-entry (POE) violation case 2019-NL-82EG-01 dated May 13, 2019. We appreciate the information provided on these matters, and after evaluation, 10.2.a considers this case closed.

If you have any questions regarding this communication, please feel free to email the 10.2.a at 10.2.a at 10.2.a

Sincerely,

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