

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- 1. How often does AMS intend to provide proposed updates to the GACC facility list for U.S. feed additives, premixes and compound feed to the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC)?**

AMS will be submitting proposed updates to the GACC facility list to China on a quarterly basis. For exact due dates and submission deadlines, see [AMS's website](#).

- 2. If AMS is submitting updates to GACC quarterly, by when do I need to submit my "New Facility Application" and/or "Update Facility Application Form" and documentation to AMS?**

AMS will be accepting forms on a rolling-basis. For exact due dates and submission deadlines, see [AMS's website](#).

- 3. Does an animal food facility wishing to export Feed Additives/Premixes, Compound Feed, Natural Mineral Feed, Mixed Feed Raw Materials and/or Single-Cell Protein Feed to China have to complete the AMS "New Facility" form in order to be included on the GACC facility list?**

Yes.

- 4. How often does an animal food facility have to request to be included on the GACC facility list for U.S. Feed Additives/Premixes, Compound Feed, Natural Mineral Feed, Mixed Feed Raw Materials and/or Single-Cell Protein Feed for export to China?**

Facilities will only need to request to be placed on the GACC facility list once. To remain in good standing on the list when AMS submits updates to GACC, the facility must maintain its registration in the Food and Drug Administration's United Registration and Listing Systems (FURLS) Food Facility Registration Module (FFRM) on FDA's facility registration biennial cycle. Food facility registration with FDA must be renewed on even numbered years. For information on FDA's food facility registration process, see [FDA Registration of Food Facilities and Other Submissions](#).

- 5. I have multiple facilities. Can I submit a form for more than one facility?**

Yes, follow the instructions provided in the facility registration spreadsheet.

- 6. I would like to export multiple products from my facility. Can I include multiple products on my form?**

Yes, follow the instructions provided in the facility registration spreadsheet.

- 7. How do I know if my facility is already on the Feed Additives/Premix, Compound Feed, Natural Mineral Feed and/or Single-Cell Protein Feed list?**

GACC's current lists can be found at the following links:

- [Feed Additive/Premix](#)
- [Compound Feed](#)
- [Natural Mineral Feed](#)
- [Mixed Feed Raw Materials](#)
- [Single-Cell Protein Feed](#)

- 8. My facility is already on one of GAAC's lists for U.S. feed additives/premix, compound feed, natural mineral feed or single-cell protein feed and I want to export a NEW PRODUCT from this facility. How do I get the new product added to my facility's listing on GACC's list?**

Register your new product with China's [Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs \(MARA\)](#) and obtain a MARA product license (see example in **APPENDIX 1: EXAMPLE MARA PRODUCT LICENSE**) or obtain a "notice of product registration exemption" (see example in **APPENDIX 2: EXAMPLE NOTICE OF PRODUCT REGISTRATION EXEMPTION**). Complete the facility registration spreadsheet and follow instructions for submission to AMS.

- 9. My facility is already on one of GACC's lists for U.S. Feed Additives/Premix, Compound Feed, Natural Mineral Feed, Mixed Feed Raw Materials or Single-Cell Protein Feed, but my company information has changed (i.e. company name, address, etc.). How do I get my facility's listing updated to reflect these changes?**

Modify your MARA product license appropriately with the updated information, then complete the facility registration spreadsheet and follow instructions for submission to AMS.

- 10. My facility is already on one of GACC's lists for U.S. Feed Additives/Premix, Compound Feed, Natural Mineral Feed, Mixed Feed Raw Materials or Single-Cell Protein Feed, but the product information has changed (i.e. product name, etc.). How do I get my facility's listing updated to reflect these changes?**

Modify your MARA product license appropriately with the updated information, then complete the facility registration spreadsheet and follow instructions for submission to AMS.

- 11. Can I use a facility name or a corporate address for inclusion on the GACC facility list that is different from the facility name or facility address that is listed in my FDA food facility registration?**

No. The data submitted for an animal food facility (facility name, street address, city, state, and zip code) should match the data in your FDA food facility registration. AMS will work with FDA to verify the data you provide for the GACC facility list against data that we maintain in our FURLS database. To be placed on the GACC facility list, the data you submit must match what is in your FDA food facility registration.

- 12. My company's product is registered with MARA, but we contract the manufacturing of the product out to a facility that is not our own. Can I submit the form to register the facility on behalf of another company?**

Complete the Facility Registration Spreadsheet, obtain a letter from the company operating the facility granting your company permission to submit the form on their behalf (see example in **APPENDIX 3: EXAMPLE TOLL MILLING PERMISSION LETTER**) and follow instructions for submission to AMS.

- 13. Do I have to register my animal feed additive, premix, or compound feed product with China's Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA) as a prerequisite for import into China?**

China maintains product registration and licensing requirements for animal feed additives, premix, and compound feeds that are separate from its GACC facility registration requirements. Completion of these product registration requirements is often a prerequisite for import into China, regardless of a facility's GACC registration status. Manufacturers and exporters are responsible for ensuring that MARA issues any product registrations or product-registration waivers that are necessary for animal feed additives, premixes, and compound feed products produced at U.S. facilities to be imported into China.

- 14. Do I have to complete the MARA product registration process before requesting placement on the GACC facility list?**

Completing the MARA product registration process is a prerequisite for placement on one of GACC's facility lists. Therefore, AMS is asking that facilities complete the MARA product registration process and obtain the MARA product license or obtain a notice of product registration exemption from MARA before requesting placement on the GACC facility list. To be placed on the GACC facility list, the facility should have at least one product that has either a MARA product license or a notice of product registration exemption.

15. Do I need to send any MARA documentation to AMS when requesting to be placed on the GACC facility list?

Yes. AMS is asking for copies of MARA product licenses (see example in **APPENDIX 1: EXAMPLE MARA PRODUCT LICENSE** or MARA notice of product registration exemption (see example in **APPENDIX 2: EXAMPLE NOTICE OF PRODUCT REGISTRATION EXEMPTION**) for each product the facility is wishing to export to China.

16. Where can I find additional information on product registration with MARA?

Product registration materials may be found on [MARA's website](#).

17. Can a U.S. government agency, such as USDA or FDA, help me with the MARA registration process?

No. Currently, there are no U.S. government agencies that can assist with this process. Your company must contact MARA if you have questions about their registration process. Product registration materials may be found on [MARA's website](#).

18. Can I request that AMS add my manufacturing facility that produces dried distillers' grains (DDG) or dried distillers' grains with solubles (DDGS) to the GACC facility list?

No, the facility list that AMS sends to GACC will contain only those facilities that manufacture non-animal-based animal feed additives, premixes, and/or compound feed. Manufacturers of DDG and DDGS need to utilize a different process. Companies interested in exporting DDG or DDGS to China should contact USDA's Export Verification Program at EV.Export@usda.gov.

19. Can I request that AMS add my manufacturing facility that produces animal-based pet food or non-ruminant derived feed/feed ingredients/fats to the GACC facility list?

No, the facility list that AMS sends to GACC will contain only those facilities that manufacture non-animal-based animal feed additives, premixes, and/or compound feed. Manufacturers of pet food and non-ruminant derived feed ingredients should visit the [APHIS International Regulations \(IRegs\) for Animal Product Exports website for China](#) and review the information provided. You also may contact your [local VS Field Office](#) for more information.

APPENDIX 1: EXAMPLE MARA PRODUCT LICENSE

进口登记证 REGISTERED LICENSE	
登记证号: License No.:	(2020)外 商 准字第 XXXXXX 号
经试验、审查，该产品安全、有效，准予在中华人民共和国登记，特此发证。 This is to certify that through test and examination, the following Product is verified safe and effective, and is hereby registered by the People's Republic of China.	申请企业: 假公司 Applicant Company: Fake Company 生产厂家及地址: 假公司 2345 N 124th Street, 芝加哥, WI 60007, 美国 Manufacturer & Address: Fake Company, 2345 N 124 th Street, Chicago, WI 60007, USA 商品名称: 星酵母培养 Trade Name: Star Yeast Culture 通用名称: 酵母培养 Common Name: Yeast Culture 感官指标: 黄棕色粉末 Sensory Index: Tan Powder 适用范围: 理化指标:
有效日期: 自 2202 年 11 月至 2020 年 11 月 Valid: from Nov. 2015 to Nov. 2020	

APPENDIX 2: EXAMPLE NOTICE OF PRODUCT REGISTRATION EXEMPTION

农业农村部行政审批办结通知书



受理编号: 04050020190708-1

项目名称	进口饲料和饲料添加剂登记		
申请人	[REDACTED]		
通讯地址	[REDACTED]		
联系人	[REDACTED]	电子邮箱	[REDACTED]
联系电话	[REDACTED]	传 真	[REDACTED]
收费状况	不收费	受理时间	2019年07月25日
办结时间	2019年08月09日	承诺时限	2020年05月26日
产品名称	[REDACTED]	Product Name	
批件领取方式	邮寄		
审批结果	不批准	Status: Rejected	
审批意见	<p>由你公司代办的 [REDACTED] 的登记申请不予受理。 [REDACTED] 豆粕属于《饲料原料目录》（农业部公告第1773号）中， 可以用于饲料生产。根据《饲料和饲料添加剂管理条例》及其配套法规， 该产品归类为饲料原料，不属于进口登记许可范围，无需办理进口登记证。 请你公司与当地海关联系，办理相关手续。</p>		
其他事宜 (决定的效力 范围、做出决 定之后的后续 环节要求)	无		

Explanation: According to the "Regulations on the Administration of Feeding and Feed Additives" product "X" is not subject to the scope of import registration.



受理机构: 农业农村部政务服务中心
 办结人员: 李桐
 联系电话: 010-59191809

自收到本通知书之日起, 申请人可以在60日内向农业农村部申请行政复议, 或者在六个月内向北京市第三中级人民法院提起行政诉讼。
 行政许可法规定:

APPENDIX 3: EXAMPLE TOLL MILLING PERMISSION LETTER

Insert Letterhead Here

Date

I, **NAME, TITLE**, for **FACILITY COMPANY** grant permission to **APPLICANT COMPANY** to submit a feed additive/premix/compound feed China facility registration application to the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) and for the AMS to share with the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China the name and address of the FDA registered animal food manufacturing facility(ies) I have designated below to facilitate access to the Chinese feed additive, premix, and compound feed market.

Product Registration Affirmations

Product Name	MARA Product Status	Establishment Facility's Legal Name	Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
ABC Product	EXAMPLE: The product produced at the specified facility has undergone review and has official MARA product registration (or is exempt from MARA registration).	COMPANY NAME	1234 White Stm	San Diego	CA	12345/67891

Sincerely:

NAME
TITLE
FACILITY COMPANY