

# **Compound feedingstuffs: marketing, tracing, labelling (amend. Directive 79/373/EEC)**

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The European Parliament endorsed the report drafted by Mr Friedrich-Wilhelm GRAEFE zu BARINGDORF (Greens/EFA, D) on the marketing of compound feedingstuffs. Firstly, the Parliament gave its full backing to the Commission's proposal for mandatory, detailed labelling of the materials in animal feedingstuffs, issued as part of a raft of legislation heralded in the Commission's White Paper on Food Safety. In line with the Parliament's consistent position of demanding clear labelling to guarantee effective consumer protection at the same time as consumer choice, the Parliament has passed an amendment adding the requirement for manufacturers to produce internal company documentation as proof of the composition of feedingstuffs which may reduce the burden on Member States in terms of monitoring. Furthermore, the Parliament highlights that the BSE crisis and the recent dioxin crisis have shown one again that the safety of feedingstuffs can only be guaranteed by a binding definition of permissible feeding materials. Therefore, the Commission should submit to the European Parliament and the Council without delay an exhaustive list of permissible feed materials for feedingstuffs.