

CAUTION: USE OF A FAKE FAMI-QS CERTIFICATE

To: FAMI-QS certified companies and certification bodies

Brussels, 24 February 2012 --- FAMI-QS has just discovered that *HIDA Group Co. Ltd. China*, which is not FAMI-QS certified, submits documents/certificates which may create the impression that this company is FAMI-QS certified.

We ask all FAMI-QS Operators and Partners to remain alert and always consult the FAMI-QS database of certified companies on our website (<http://www.fami-qs.org/certifiedcompanies.htm>). Only FAMI-QS certified companies are listed in our certified company database.

All FAMI-QS Members and Partners must report to FAMI-QS any unlawful use of FAMI-QS designations and/or collective logo by third parties.

This announcement is made in accordance with the provisions laid down in section 12 "Certificate" of FAMI-QS Rules of Certification Bodies and section 9 "Use of logo" of FAMI-QS Rules for the Operators.

The FAMI-QS name and logo may only be used by operators that have obtained certification from a certification body recognised by FAMI-QS Asbl. The right to use the FAMI-QS logo and/or name is exclusively granted by FAMI-QS Asbl, and can be withdrawn at any moment in the event of non-compliance with certification requirements.

Furthermore, let us advise you to always consult the FAMI-QS certified companies database if you have any doubt about a company's FAMI-QS certification.

About FAMI-QS

FAMI-QS Asbl is the management and coordination center for the FAMI-QS code of practice. It is the only certifiable code specifically aimed at specialty feed ingredients and their mixtures for animal nutrition. The code addresses safety, quality and regulatory compliance in order to minimize the risk that unsafe specialty feed ingredients enter the food and feed chain. It offers independent certification for all operators placing these products on the market. Based on partnership with international certification bodies and third countries institutional partners, it includes more than 600 certified sites spread across more than 45 countries. The current FAMI-QS President is Dr. Dieter Greissing of *Evonik Industries AG*.

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