October 2, 2017

Dr. Margaret Whittaker
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Re: GRAS Notice No. AGRN 23

Dear Dr. Whittaker:

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA, we) is granting your request to cease our evaluation of AGRN 23, which we filed on January 6, 2017. We received your request dated September 28, 2017.

The subject of the notice is *Euphausia superba* (krill) meal. The notice informs FDA of Aker BioMarine Antarctic’s view that *Euphausia superba* (krill) meal is GRAS, through scientific procedures, for use as a source of protein and lipid in dry adult dog food at an intended use rate of 3%.

In telephone conversations on September 22, 2017 and September 26, 2017, we discussed issues identified during our evaluation of the notice. In particular, we discussed our questions regarding the fluoride content of krill meal and the contribution of krill meal-derived fluoride to the dietary intake of fluoride in adult dogs. We discussed the opportunity for Aker BioMarine Antarctic to ask us to cease our evaluation of AGRN 23 and to re-submit a new GRAS notice in the future.

In accordance with 21 CFR 570.275(b)(3), the text of this letter responding to AGRN 23 is accessible to the public on our website for Animal Food GRAS Notices Inventory at [http://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/Products/AnimalFoodFeeds/GenerallyRecognizedasSafeGRASNotifications/ucm243845.htm](http://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/Products/AnimalFoodFeeds/GenerallyRecognizedasSafeGRASNotifications/ucm243845.htm).

Sincerely,

/s/

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