



April 20, 2026

BSM Partners, LLC
Attention: Bradley Quest, DVM
Principal Veterinarian
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Re: GRAS Notice AGRN 86 – Dried *Methylococcus capsulatus* Product

Dear Dr. Quest:

The Food and Drug Administration's Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM) refers to a generally recognized as safe (GRAS) notice, dated August 5, 2025, submitted on behalf of your client, Calysta, Inc. (the notifier). The subject of the notice is dried *Methylococcus capsulatus* product to be used as a source of protein in dog food at 8% of the diet. We also received an amendment, dated October 15, 2025, providing additional information. The submission informs us of the notifier's conclusion that the subject of the submission is GRAS through scientific procedures. The notice was filed on December 1, 2025, and designated as animal GRAS notice number (AGRN) 86. In a March 26, 2026 email to you, CVM informed the notifier of questions regarding their conclusion. Specifically, CVM has questions related to the results of the pivotal target animal safety study in dogs that was presented to reach a conclusion of safety.

CVM is granting your request, dated April 13, 2026, to cease evaluation of the AGRN 86. In accordance with 21 CFR 570.275(b)(2), the text of this letter responding to AGRN 86 is accessible to the public on our website for the Current Animal Food GRAS Notices Inventory at <https://www.fda.gov/animal-veterinary/generally-recognized-safe-gras-notification-program/current-animal-food-gras-notices-inventory>.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Ms. Lauren LaPlace at animalfood-premarket@fda.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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