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VITAMIN

01

On June 19, dsm-firmenich reported delays due to extended maintenance by a key precursor supplier for vitamins E, A, carotenoids, and flavors. This caused a two-week delay in restarting its Swiss facility for vitamin E intermediates. Although operations have resumed, production will remain limited in the coming months. The company will rely on inventory to fulfill contracts and meet short-term demand where possible.

On June 20, market sources indicated that dsm-firmenich suspended global quotations for feed-grade vitamin E due to the supply disruption. Additionally, its vitamin B3 plant, shut down unexpectedly in May, is now expected to fully restart in July following delayed spare part deliveries. Contract supply commitments remain in place.

AMINO ACID

02

Lysine and threonine markets remained generally weak last week. For 98% lysine, manufacturer quotations stayed stable, with moderate inquiries and mostly need-based purchases from end users. The short-term outlook is slightly bearish. Threonine quotations also held steady, though actual transaction prices showed slight declines.

Attention is needed for upcoming summer maintenance plans: Eppen Biotech will suspend production for 10 days starting July 10, and Dacheng Biology will begin a 15–20 day shutdown on July 1.

API

03

The veterinary API market remained generally stable last week. Oxytetracycline HCl and doxycycline prices continued to rise due to tight supply. Tylosin Tartrate and Tilmicosin Phosphate stayed firm with limited availability. In contrast, prices for amoxicillin, florfenicol, and albendazole weakened under competitive pressure and sluggish demand.

FOOD ADDITIVE

04

Sucralose prices dropped to USD 23.06–24.31/kg, while acesulfame-K and aspartame remained steady. L-carnitine prices continued to rise. Creatine monohydrate deliveries have been scheduled through late June. Taurine supply tightened as major producers began maintenance shutdowns, pushing prices higher.

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