Michigan Animal Feed Recall Requirements

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A feed recall is a firm's voluntary removal of feed products that have already entered commerce when there is a reason to believe that such products are adulterated or misbranded. When a feed manufacturer conducts a voluntary recall of a commercial feed, the firm must notify the Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development (MDARD) as soon as it initiates the voluntary recall. Initial notification may be done by telephone, followed by a written notification.

- Call the Animal Feed Program at 517-281-6070; Ashley Phillips, Program Specialist.
- Written follow-up notification may be sent as follows:
    - By Mail: Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development
      Dairy, Feed and Produce Division
      Attn: Feed Recall Notice
      P.O. Box 30017
      Lansing, MI 48909
    - By FAX: 517-335-4540 Attn: Feed Recall Notice
    - By Email: Attn: Feed Recall Notice
      MDARD-AnimalFeed@michigan.gov

The notification, as required by the Feed Law, must contain:

- A clear description of the adulterated or misbranded feed. Include the product's name, lot number, size(s), quantity involved, and any additional information that will aid in distinguishing it from similar products that are not involved in the recall.
- An evaluation of the risk related to use of the feed.
- A statement of the measures needed to protect animals or the public from the risk.

Regulatory authority:

MDARD requires notification to ensure all reasonable efforts are being made to protect animal and public health. The Feed Law, MCL287.530 provides that the “Information or a statement exclusively

derived from notification required under this section, except for information contained in records required to be maintained under this act, shall not be used as evidence in a proceeding brought against the person pursuant to this act with respect to a violation of law occurring prior to or concurrently with the notification."

Feed Law, Act No. 120, P.A. of 1975, as amended

To learn more about Michigan's feed program, visit www.michigan.gov/mdard-feed.