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Report Highlights:

Norway produces about 320,000 MT of soybean meal and about 80,000 MT of soybean oil annually. Due to Norway's highly restrictive legislation on biotech food, feed and seed, Norway's crushing industry is reduced to using non-GMO soybeans.

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I. SOYBEAN CRUSHING IN NORWAY

Due to harsh climate conditions, there is no domestic soybean production in Norway. Norway is, however, a significant crusher of soybeans. The sole soybean crusher in Scandinavia, Denofa, is a Norwegian company with a crushing capacity of 400,000 MT.

Denofa is reportedly crushing at full capacity. About 320,000 MT of soybean meal and about 80,000 MT of soybean oil are produced annually. Due to Norway's highly restrictive legislation on biotech food, feed and seed (GAIN Report NO6005), Denofa is reduced to using non-GMO soybeans in its crushing plant. Before GM soybeans came on the market in 1996, U.S. exporters enjoyed a 60-80% market share in Norway. Today, Denofa is using identity preserved (IP) conventional Brazilian soybeans.

Norway's production of soybean meal at 320,000 MT by far exceeds domestic consumption. Due to Norway's relatively large exports of soybean meal, however, imports are needed to cover domestic demand. Soybean meal is used as a protein source in livestock feed, but is also used as a protein source in salmon feed. The domestic use of soybean meal is expected to increase in 2006 as a result of increased salmon production. Since there is no room for an increase in domestic production of soybean meal, this is reflected in higher imports and somewhat lower exports. During the period of January to October 2006, Norwegian soybean meal imports increased by 27%, from 67,000 MT to 86,000 MT. About 90% of this soybean meal originates in Brazil. Exports have decreased by 5% during the same period, from 139,000 MT to 132,000 MT. Almost all of these exports went to Norway's neighboring countries Sweden (68%), Finland (16%) and Denmark (13%).

Norwegian production of soybean oil amounts to about 80,000 MT per year, of which most is exported (about 70,000 MT). Main export markets are Sweden and Denmark. Norway imports about 30,000 MT of soybean oil. Most of the soybean oil on the domestic market is used in food processing.

II. STATISTICAL SECTION

PSD Table: Soybeans, Norway

	2004 Revised			2005 Estimate			2006 Forecast		
(1000 MT) (1000 HA)	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New
Market Year Begin		01/2005	01/2005		01/2006	01/2006		01/2007	01/2007
Area Planted	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Area Harvested	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beginning Stocks	10	0	10	10	0	0	10	0	0
Production	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MY Imports	415	0	388	400	0	400	410	0	400
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MY Imp. from EU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Supply	425	0	398	410	0	400	420	0	400
MY Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MY Exp. to EU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crush	415	0	398	400	0	400	410	0	400
Food Use Dom. Cons.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed Waste Dom. Cons.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Dom. Cons.	415	0	398	400	0	400	410	0	400
Ending Stocks	10	0	0	10	0	0	10	0	0
Total Distribution	425	0	398	410	0	400	420	0	400
CY Imports	388	0	388	400	0	400	400	0	400
CY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
CY Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CY Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

PSD Table: Soybean Meal, Norway

	2004 Revised			2005 Estimate			2006 Forecast		
(1000 MT) (PERCENT)	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New
Market Year Begin		01/2005	01/2005		01/2006	01/2006		01/2007	01/2007
Crush	415	0	398	400	0	400	410	0	400
Extr. Rate, 999.9999	0.78	0	0.80	0.79	0	0.80	0.79	0	0.80
Beginning Stocks	8	0	8	10	0	6	12	0	16
Production	325	0	318	315	0	320	322	0	320
MY Imports	80	0	80	105	0	100	115	0	80
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MY Imp. from EU	0	0	22	0	0	10	0	0	10
Total Supply	413	0	406	430	0	426	449	0	416
MY Exports	168	0	165	147	0	155	140	0	155
MY Exp. to EU	150	0	152	135	0	155	130	0	155
Industrial Dom. Cons.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food Use Dom. Cons.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed Waste Dom. Cons.	235	0	235	271	0	255	297	0	260
Total Dom. Cons.	235	0	235	271	0	255	297	0	260
Ending Stocks	10	0	6	12	0	16	12	0	1
Total Distribution	413	0	406	430	0	426	449	0	416
CY Imports	86	0	80	100	0	100	120	0	80
CY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CY Exports	180	0	165	150	0	155	140	0	155
CY Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

PSD Table: Soybean Oil, Norway

	2004 Revised			2005 Estimate			2006 Forecast		
(1000 MT) (PERCENT)	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New
Market Year Begin		01/2005	01/2005		01/2006	01/2006		01/2007	01/2007
Crush	415	0	395	400	0	400	410	0	400
Extr. Rate, 999.9999	0.18	0.00	0.20	0.18	0.00	0.20	0.18	0.00	0.20
Beginning Stocks	3	0	0	4	0	6	3	0	8
Production	75	0	80	72	0	80	74	0	80
MY Imports	26	0	26	26	0	30	28	0	30
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MY Imp. from EU	25	0	26	25	0	30	27	0	30
Total Supply	104	0	106	102	0	116	105	0	118
MY Exports	68	0	68	70	0	70	70	0	70
MY Exp. to EU	67	0	67	70	0	70	70	0	70
Industrial Dom. Cons.	3	0	3	3	0	3	3	0	3
Food Use Dom. Cons.	24	0	24	21	0	30	25	0	30
Feed Waste Dom. Cons.	5	0	5	5	0	5	5	0	5
Total Dom. Cons.	32	0	32	29	0	38	33	0	38
Ending Stocks	4	0	6	3	0	8	2	0	10
Total Distribution	104	0	106	102	0	116	105	0	118
CY Imports	0	0	26	0	0	30	0	0	80
CY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CY Exports	40	0	68	40	0	70	0	0	70
CY Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0