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Japan Establishes Maximum Residue Limits on Febantel, a Veterinary Drug

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Report Highlights:

Japan invited foreign Embassies to comment on establishment of maximum residue limits for a veterinary drug, febantel. The deadline for comments is April 27, 2004. This proposal will be submitted to the WTO for a further opportunity for comments.

Includes PSD Changes: No
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On April 14, 2004, the Ministry of Labor, Health and Welfare (MHLW) invited foreign Embassies in Tokyo to comment on the establishment of maximum residue limits (MRLs) for a veterinary drug, febantel. Foreign governments have until April 27, 2004 to comment.

The MRLs are NOT a part of the provisional MRLs MHLW is drafting (See GAIN Report JA3071). MHLW will open the proposal to comments from a wider audience and notify the WTO SPS Committee before final review and adoption.

All interested parties are encouraged to send their comments, well before the deadline, for consideration by Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA. The office responsible for the comments is as follows:

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Draft MRLs

Draft MRLs for Febantel (as oxfendazole sulfone)

Part /target animal	MRL (ppm)
Muscle/terrestrial mammals	0.1
Fat/terrestrial mammals	0.1
Liver/terrestrial mammals	0.5
Kidney/terrestrial mammals	0.1
Edible offal excluding liver and kidney/ terrestrial mammals	3
Muscle/turkey	2
Muscle/poultry excluding turkey	0.03
Liver/turkey	6
Liver/poultry excluding turkey	2
Edible offal excluding liver/ poultry	0.01
Milk	0.1
Globefish	0.05

* Globefish is regulated under Article 6 of the Food Sanitation Law on the species and parts that are permitted for food use.