COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1251/2004

of 7 July 2004

amending Regulation (EC) No 2799/1999 laying down detailed rules for applying Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 as regards the grant of aid for skimmed milk and skimmed-milk powder intended for animal feed and the sale of such skimmed-milk powder

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products [1], and in particular Article 15 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 7(1) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2799/1999 [2] fixes the amount of aid for skimmed milk and skimmed-milk powder intended for animal feed taking into account the factors set out in Article 11(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1255/1999. In view of reduction in the intervention price of skimmed-milk powder from 1 July 2004, the amount of aid should be reduced.

(2) Regulation (EC) No 2799/1999 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(3) The Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products has not delivered an opinion within the time-limit set by its Chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 2799/1999, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

'1. Aid is fixed at:

(a) EUR 3,97 per 100 kg of skimmed milk with a protein content of not less than 35,6 % of the non-fatty dry extract;

(b) EUR 3,51 per 100 kg of skimmed milk with a protein content of not less than 31,4 % but less than 35,6 % of the non-fatty dry extract;

(c) EUR 49,22 per 100 kg of skimmed-milk powder with a protein content of not less than 35,6 % of the non-fatty dry extract;

(d) EUR 43,41 per 100 kg of skimmed-milk powder with a protein content of not less than 31,4 % but less than 35,6 % of the non-fatty dry extract.'

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 7 July 2004.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 48. Regulation last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 186/2004 (OJ L 29, 3.2.2004, p. 6).
[2] OJ L 340, 31.12.1999, p. 3. Regulation last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1079/2004 (OJ L 203, 8.6.2004, p. 13).