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VITAMIN

01

The folic acid market remained firm this month, with mainstream producers maintaining their pricing while low-priced inventories continued to be depleted. Although competitively priced products from leading brands have become increasingly scarce, downstream demand remains moderate. Current market quotations are around USD 35.7–38.3/KG for second- and third-tier brands and USD 42.27–44.9/KG for leading brands, with purchases continuing to be driven by immediate demand.

AMINO ACID

02

Meihua Group expects its net profit attributable to shareholders for the first half of 2026 to reach USD 88.50 – 117.99 million, representing a year-on-year decline of 55%–66%, while recurring net profit is expected to decrease by 61%–74%. The company attributed the weaker performance mainly to increased industry supply and lower prices for products such as MSG, threonine, and lysine.

API

03

- From July 11 to 12, the 43rd National Pharmaceutical Industry Information Conference and the 2026 Beijing Changping Life Science Forum were held in Beijing. During the event, several annual industry rankings were released, with Qilu Pharmaceutical ranking third among China's Top 100 Pharmaceutical Companies by Main Business Revenue for the third consecutive year.
- Meanwhile, the Florfenicol market remains well supplied. Mainstream producer quotations have edged lower, with transactions mainly driven by immediate demand. Current market prices are around USD 21.2/KG, and the market is expected to remain weak but stable in the near term.

FOOD ADDITIVE

04

Recently, China's National Health Commission accepted applications for two new food ingredients: Tagatose and Lactobacillus brevis CECT 7480. The market will continue to monitor the progress of their regulatory review and approval.

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