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VITAMIN

01

The vitamin market remained generally stable last week, with overall demand staying weak. Following producer price increases, VE production and transaction prices edged up, accompanied by strong holding sentiment. Low-priced folic acid inventories continued to be digested, pushing transaction levels of first-tier brands higher. Vitamin B1 and B6 markets stayed sluggish with limited trading activity. Niacin and niacinamide shipments remained tight, while prices held steady.

AMINO ACID

02

- Some lysine producers suspended quotations and contract signing last week. After prices fell to historical lows, manufacturers faced losses, prompting production cuts among second- and third-tier players. Meanwhile, end-users entered a restocking phase, leading to increased orders, tighter delivery schedules, and shipment queuing. In the short term, lysine contract availability is expected to remain tight.
- The threonine market stayed relatively stable, though trading was limited and prices edged down slightly, with a weak short-term outlook.

API

03

- The veterinary API market remained weak last week. Driven by soft demand and new capacity additions, most products saw price declines, with muted trading activity and cautious sentiment across trade channels. Some distributors focused on inventory liquidation to improve cash flow. Products such as tylosin, tilmicosin phosphate, amoxicillin, and lincomycin experienced varying degrees of price correction.
- Among low-level products, florfenicol showed limited downside and is currently fluctuating within a consolidation range. Oxytetracycline HCl prices remained stable for now, but increasing producer supply may weigh on prices in the longer term, warranting close monitoring of supply-demand dynamics.

FOOD ADDITIVE

04

- The sweetener market within the food additives sector remained stable last week. Sucralose transaction prices held steady, while acesulfame-K and aspartame prices and shipment levels stayed normal.
- Meanwhile, in the nutrition enhancer category, creatine monohydrate continued to face supply shortages, with prices holding firm at around USD 3.00–3.16/KG and delivery schedules extending into January. L-carnitine prices remained stable at approximately USD 25.28–26.55/KG, with market sentiment still leaning bullish.

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