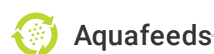




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# Canada approves Veramaris' algal oil for use in aquafeeds

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## Company is granted the first market authorization in Canada for inclusion in salmonid feeds

Netherlands-based algal oil producer Veramaris last week completed a three-year registration process for approval in salmon feeds in Canada.

The authorization allows Veramaris to provide Canada's salmon farmers with EPA (eicosapentaenoic acid) and DHA (docosahexaenoic acid) – nutrients essential for fish health and welfare and the nutritional value of farm-raised seafood.

Veramaris algal oil is produced in Blair, Nebraska, USA, to support the industry's adoption of alternative omega-3 fatty acid sources and reduce its dependency on marine ingredients like fish oil and fishmeal.

"The Canadian registration of Veramaris' algal oil is key to supporting the rising global demand for alternative sources of omega-3 EPA and DHA. Securing authorization in Canada is an important step not only for Veramaris but also for the entire aquaculture industry," said Gertjan de Koning, CEO of Veramaris.



Veramaris completed a three-year approval process for the inclusion of its algal oil, rich in omega-3 fatty acids, in salmon feeds in Canada. Courtesy photo.



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Tim Kennedy, president and CEO of the Canadian Aquaculture Industry Alliance, said the Canadian aquaculture sector welcomes the news.

“Canadian aquaculture is at a pivotal point, and Veramaris’ algal oil brings us closer to achieving our sustainability aspirations,” he said. “This registration not only highlights the strategic value of aquaculture in Canada but also demonstrates the industry’s commitment to innovation and environmental stewardship.”

Canada is the world’s fourth-largest producer of salmonids, including Atlantic salmon. The market authorization of Veramaris’ algal oil is expected to positively contribute to the health and welfare of farmed salmon and to advance sustainable practices in the sector.

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