
On July 8, 2023, the Authority submitted to the Commission a proposed modification of the ADMC Rule to include iron dextran as a banned substance. The Commission published this proposed modification of the ADMC Rule in the Federal Register on September 25, 2023.

According to the Authority, the designation of “iron dextran and other iron dextran containing products as Banned Substances under the ADMC Program” from “[t]he risk of serious and potentially fatal adverse reactions to iron dextran products, together with its testing limitations,” which in turn “presents a risk of misuse and abuse in Covered Horses. Iron dextran products have Food and Drug Administration . . . approval only for the treatment and prevention of iron

III. Conclusion

In the Commission's view, the Authority has provided a persuasive rationale for adding iron dextran to the list of banned substances under the ADMC Rule, based on documented risks to the safety and welfare of racehorses.⁷ Moreover, the sole public comment on the Authority's proposal voiced support for the prohibition of iron dextran. The Commission therefore finds that the proposed modification to the ADMC Rule to include iron dextran as a banned substance is consistent with the Act and with the Commission's procedural rules, see 15 U.S.C. § 3053(c)(2). Accordingly, by this Order, the Commission approves the proposed rule modification.

For the foregoing reasons, the Authority's proposed modification to the ADMC Rule to include iron dextran as a banned substance is **APPROVED**.

⁷ For more information about the documentation supporting the Authority's proposal to ban iron dextran, exhibits attached to the Authority's original proposal, cited 88 Fed. Reg. 65684 n. 6 and available at <https://www.regulations.gov>