

IDEXX Summary

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Topic: Colilert[®] Quanti-Tray[®] Approval in Hungary for potable water, natural bathing waters and natural spas

Title: Authorization to use the Colilert Method

Source: Approval letter from the National Office of the Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Ildikó Szentgyörgyi, Budapest, Hungary

Date: 8 August 2002

Letter Highlights:

- Based on expert opinion of the Capitol City Institute of National Public Health and Medical Officer Service, the Colilert method represents a suitable alternative for testing water-quality characteristics
- Based on governmental regulation #201/2001 (X.25) for the quality requirements of potable water, Colilert may be used for “the quality control of potable and bath water” (*sic*).

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DECISION

In addenda numbers 3 and 4, to governmental regulation 201/2001 (X.25), about the quality requirements of potable water, and about the method of their enforcement, I hereby authorize, beside the standard methods prescribed for the testing for coliform- and E-coli numbers, as per MSZ EN ISOI 9308-1, 2, 3, the use of the ***"Colilert" [brand-name] method for the quality control of potable and bath water***, manufactured on culture-medium by, and performable with the equipment of IDEXX Laboratories, Inc., (One IDEXX Drive, Westbrook, Maine 04092 USA).

Within 15 days from the date of receipt of the present decision, an appeal contesting it may be filed, addressed to the Chief Medical Officer and to the National Office of the Chief Medical Officer (Gyáli út 2-6, P.O. Box 839, 1437 Budapest), against payment of an administrative performance fee equal to the rate for the proceedings of the first instance.

RATIONALE

Upon the request of KÖZ-VIZ Kft. (Rákóczi tér 15/A, P. O. Box 61, 8420 Zirc), I have ascertained, based on expert opinion 260/1/2002 of the Capitol City Institute of National Public Health and Medical Officer Service, that the method represents a suitable alternative for testing the water-quality characteristics, as directed in the pertinent order, because it meets the requirements stipulated in the addenda.

The pertinent order requires the expert opinion of the National Environmental Health Institute of the Fodor József National Public Health Center for the substantiation of the authorization of the alternative method. Since the acceptability of the alternative method is based on the directives issued by the competent division, the national chief medical officer, for ethical reasons, has transferred the obligation of rendering the expert opinion to the Capital City Institute of ÁNTSZ [Institute of National Public Health and Medical Officer Service].

The applicant has paid the administrative performance fee of 22,500 forints + 25% value added tax = 28,125 forints, as specified under point VIII.5. of addendum 1. of NM order 50/1996. (XII.27), in consideration of individual administrative procedures and administrative services rendered by the National Public Health and Chief Medical Officer Service.

I have issued this Decision, in accordance with authority vested in me, under Par. 5 (7) of governmental regulation 201/2001. (X.25.) about quality requirements of potable water and the method of their enforcement, as well as under Par. 4 (4) of governmental regulation 273/2001 about the quality requirements of natural bath waters, and about the designation of natural spas and their operation.

Copies to:

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2. OKK-OKI Division of Water Hygiene
3. Capital City Institute of ÁNTSZ

(signed) Dr. Ildikó Szentgyörgyi
National Chief Medical Officer

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