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Freshpet carried out an AAFCO Growth Feeding trial on Freshpet Vital Cuts dog food with a colony of 8-week-old beagle puppies. It was completed in January 2025. The required blood values established by AAFCO for growth canine feeding trials to substantiate nutrition adequacy include hemoglobin, packed cell volume (PCV), and albumin. I affirm that the blood test results were all within the established normal healthy ranges listed by AAFCO. The average body weight gain was greater than the colony average and there were no nutritional related abnormalities, and all the puppies were in good health at the end of the study as determined by physical exam and bloodwork. Freshpet Vital Cuts meets the nutritional adequacy to support the growth and with growth, adult maintenance.

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I carried out an AAFCO Growth Feeding trial on Freshpet Select food with a colony of 8-week-old beagle puppies. It was completed in June 2014. The required blood values established by AAFCO for growth canine feeding trials to substantiate nutrition adequacy include hemoglobin, packed cell volume (PCV), and albumin. I affirm that the blood test results were all within the established normal healthy ranges listed by AAFCO and passed the AAFCO requirement.

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February 2023

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An AAFCO Canine Maintenance Feeding trial on Freshpet Vegetable Based Patty was performed with a colony of 8-week-old beagle adult dogs. Based on the protocol outlined in the 2022 AAFCO Manual for an Adult Maintenance Claim for a dog food, the result was a Pass for the test product: Freshpet Vegetarian Patty. The average weekly weights and resulting changes in weight were found to be acceptable. The resulting blood profiles were within the acceptable range. No dogs were removed from the study for any reason. No signs of clinical or pathological signs of nutritional deficiency or excess were observed.

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September 2, 2021

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An AAFCO Canine Maintenance Feeding trial using Freshpet Chicken Beef Salmon and Egg diet was performed with a colony of 8-week-old beagle adult dogs. It was completed in September 2021. The required blood values established by AAFCO for canine maintenance feeding trials to substantiate nutrition adequacy include hemoglobin, packed cell volume (PCV), and albumin. I affirm that the blood test results were all within the established normal healthy ranges listed by AAFCO and passed the AAFCO requirement. The average daily weights or weight changes were acceptable for AAFCO canine maintenance trials. No dogs were removed for any reasons. No signs of clinical or pathological nutritional deficiencies or excesses were observed. The test diet passed the AAFCO protocols for canine maintenance.

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March 5, 2021

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An AAFCO Feline Maintenance Feeding trial using Freshpet Roasted Chicken Meal Chicken Recipe was performed with a colony of 10 adult cats. It was completed in September 2021. The required blood values established by AAFCO for feline maintenance feeding trials to substantiate nutrition adequacy include hemoglobin, packed cell volume (PCV), taurine and albumin. I affirm that the blood test results were all within the established normal healthy ranges listed by AAFCO and passed the AAFCO requirement. The average daily weights or weight changes were acceptable for AAFCO feline trials. Two cats were removed due to elevated ALT blood values. The test diet, Freshpet Select Roasted Meal Chicken Recipe, meets the minimum maintenance requirements according to the Association of American Feed Control Officials (AAFCO).

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