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VITAMIN

01

As the concentrated maintenance period nears, the vitamin E industry is entering a phase of large-scale shutdowns, which is expected to tighten supply. The market has stabilized after a previous downtrend, with reduced low-price selling and signs of stockpiling among traders. Currently, China's mainstream export price is USD 11–11.5/KG, with prices in Europe at EUR 11.2–12.5/KG, North America at USD 15–16.5/KG, and South America at USD 14–15.5/KG. With prices at a cyclical low, a rebound is likely, and export levels may soon exceed USD 12/KG.

Meanwhile, EU imposes 95.4% provisional anti-dumping duty on China's choline chloride (lowest rate for Shandong FY/Yinfeng). Market impacts likely—stay tuned for final ruling.

AMINO ACID

02

Tryptophan inquiries remain modest, with some producers slightly raising offers to USD 5.73/KG. End-inventories are still sufficient, and although inquiries have warmed up, actual demand remains weak. Tryptophan price upside is expected to be limited in the short term. On June 10, 2025, SUIHUA XMYG JINGU BIOCHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY CO., LTD. released new quotes: Threonine at USD 1,435/MT and Tryptophan at USD 5800/MT.

API

03

Doxycycline hyclate continues to see price increases, driven by constrained production capacity and rising raw material costs. Recent transaction prices range from USD 44.25 to 44.87/KG, with further upward momentum expected. Ongoing attention to supply and demand trends is advised. In parallel, Zhejiang Medicine Co., Ltd.'s Xinchang facility successfully underwent a CGMP inspection by the U.S. FDA in March 2025, covering oral solid dosage forms and APIs. The recent receipt of the Establishment Inspection Report (EIR) confirms its compliance, paving the way for broader entry into the U.S. market.

FOOD ADDITIVE

04

In the preservatives category, potassium sorbate prices remain stable at USD 2.1-2.2/KG, with normal supply-demand balance and steady shipments. Prices are expected to hold firm in the short term.

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