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VITAMIN 01

- Choline producers have gradually resumed quotations this week, with prices rising rapidly amid higher raw material costs. Current quotations for 60% Choline Chloride powder are around USD 720/MT, with other specifications increasing at similar levels. Buying inquiries remain active, and transactions are being negotiated. Further price movements will depend on raw material costs.
- On September 8, Garden Biopharmaceutical disclosed a new patent jointly developed with Zhejiang University of Technology for the preparation of 1α-Hydroxy-7-Dehydrocholesterol, an upstream intermediate for Vitamin D3. The technology is considered suitable for large-scale production and may support further technical upgrades across the Vitamin D3 supply chain.

AMINO ACID 02

According to market sources, CJ has suspended Methionine quotations effective September 8. The permanent shutdown of its L-Methionine line in Malaysia is continuing, while Southeast Asian premix producers are actively seeking alternative L-Methionine supplies, with limited options available. Overseas buyers are increasingly turning to DL-Methionine. Evonik's Singapore DL-Methionine plant remains in normal operation with no maintenance currently planned.

API 03

- On September 8, Aurobindo Pharma's Hyderabad Unit I API facility received an FDA warning letter related to GMP deficiencies identified during a 2021 inspection. The company stated that it does not expect a material impact on current operations and is communicating with the FDA on remediation. Buyers seeking to reduce supply risk should consider diversifying suppliers and securing inventory in advance.
- ABACHEM Shaoxing Pharma recently disclosed an environmental assessment for a new 2,019-MT annual API and intermediate project, with an estimated investment of approximately USD 37.36 million. The project is expected to generate annual sales of around USD 276.27 million, profit of USD 53.40 million, and tax revenue of USD 11.42 million upon completion.
- Amoxicillin producers have recently suspended quotations, showing stronger price support, while demand remains relatively weak and transactions are mainly handled through trading channels. Prices are expected to fluctuate in the near term.

FOOD ADDITIVE 04

Taurine producers have raised quotations to around USD 5/KG amid raw material price fluctuations. Market response has been strong, with active inquiries and increasingly tight producer deliveries. The market is expected to remain firm in the near term.

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