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VITAMIN

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On August 17, Vitamin E transaction prices rose further to USD 10-10.5/KG. Major producers remain off-market, with new quotations unlikely before the end of August. Market sources indicate that 2-3 tenders involving hundreds of MT of Vitamin E have recently gone unawarded. Meanwhile, Wanhua Chemical suspended Vitamin A quotations and new orders effective August 17.

AMINO ACID

02

- Meihua Biological reported H1 2026 revenue of approximately USD 1.83 billion, down 0.37% YoY, while net profit attributable to shareholders fell 62.56% YoY to approximately USD 98.8 million. Net cash flow from operating activities decreased 83.17% YoY to approximately USD 58.1 million.
- Effective August 17, Eppen Biotech raised quotations for several amino acids: Threonine by USD 26.42/MT, Valine by USD 66/MT, and both Tryptophan and Arginine by USD 132.1/MT.

API

03

- Fosun Pharma's Henlius signed a framework agreement with Sandoz to cooperate on up to 10 monoclonal antibody or ADC biosimilars in selected overseas markets. For the first three products, potential upfront, milestone and sales-related payments could reach USD 314 million.
- Colistin Sulfate prices remained firm, with major producers facing tight deliveries and most production schedules extending into Q4. Current market prices are around USD 15.20–15.45/KG.

FOOD ADDITIVE

04

China's new GB/T 29602-2026 Solid Beverage Quality Requirements officially recognizes yeast protein as an independent category of protein solid beverages, alongside milk and plant proteins. The standard will take effect on August 1, 2027.

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