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PROJECT EVALUATION SUMMARY
(Submit to MD/PAV after each project evaluation)

1. Mission or AID/W Office Name IS/AGR/Livestock	7. Project Number 931-0050
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3. Project Title Feed Information Systems	6P
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4. Key project dates (fiscal years)	5. Total U.S. funding life of project
a. Project Agreement Signed 1975	Total U.S. funding life of project \$ 715,000
b. Final Obligation 1978	
c. Final input delivered	

6. Evaluation number as listed in Eval. Schedule	7. Period covered by this evaluation FROM: TO: Month/year 6/77 Month/year 6/78	8. Date of this Evaluation Review 6/1/78 month/day/year
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9. Action Decisions Reached at Evaluation Review, including items needing further study (Note--This list does not constitute an action request to AID/W. Use telegrams, airgram, SPARS, etc., for action)	10. Officer or Unit responsible for follow-up	11. Date action to be completed
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1. Review scope of work as prescribed in the Project Paper for the second year of the project extension

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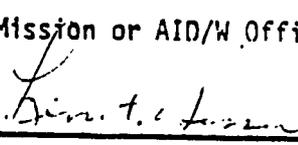
2. Develop scope of work and identify participants for external review of project in 1979.

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This project was evaluated on June 1, 1978 and there are no problems or issues which will delay the accomplishment of the purpose for which this project was approved. The project is on schedule and I recommend its continuation without any changes in the design.

12. Signatures:

Signature 	Project Officer	Signature 	Mission or AID/W Office Director
Typed name Ned S. Raun		Typed name Leon F. Hesser	
Date		Date 6/15/78	

3. SUMMARY - Summarize in about 200 words the current project situation, mentioning progress in relation to design, prospects of achieving purpose, major problems encountered, etc.

Activities and accomplishments as programmed in the Project Paper are ahead of schedule. Utah State has provided technical assistance in the establishment of regional feed information centers in Latin America (IICA) and in the Middle East (Arab Center for the Study of Arid Zones and Drylands). Also Utah State has continuing contact with the Animal Production and Health Commission for Asia which is now taking steps to establish a regional center for Southeast Asia; and with Hohenheim University and IEMVT in France who are providing assistance in the establishment of an African center/s. Nutrient composition information has been compiled on feedstuffs in the Middle East. A seminar was held in Costa Rica on Feeding Systems. The Proceedings of the International Symposium on Feed Composition, Animal Nutrient Requirement and Computerization of Diets has been published.

4. EVALUATION METHODOLOGY - Describe the methods used for this evaluation, i.e. was it a regular or special evaluation? was it in accordance with the Evaluation Plan in the PP with respect to timing, study design, scope, methodology and issues? What kinds of data were used and how were they collected and analyzed? Identify agencies and key individuals participating and contributing.

This is a regular evaluation as scheduled in the PAR submitted on 6.11.77.

Dr. Ned S. Raun conducted the evaluation by reviewing the project paper, contract, contractor's evaluation report, trip reports, correspondence, and the annual progress and fiscal reports of the contractor.

1. Documents to be revised to reflect decisions noted page 1 (other side:)

Project Paper (PP) Logical Framework CPI Network Financial Plan
 PIO/T PIO/C PIO/P Project Agreement Other NONE

This evaluation brought out ideas for a new project --
a Project Identification Document (PID) will follow.

Evaluation findings about EXTERNAL FACTORS - Identify and discuss major changes in project setting which have an impact on the project. Examine continuing validity of assumptions.

The interest of the Arab Center for the Study of Arid Zones and Drylands (ACSAD) has contributed to the early establishment of the Middle East Feed Information Center.

Hohenheim University and IEMVT are assuming major responsibility for the establishment of an Africa Center/s. ILCA has decided not to serve as coordinator for Africa, but will participate as a collaborating African institution.

The International Network of Feed Information Centers (INFIC) operates as an international association, but without a formal secretariat which initially was to be provided by FAO.

Evaluation findings about GOAL/SUBGOAL - For the reader's convenience, quote the approved sector or other goal (and subgoal, where relevant) to which the project contributes. Then describe status by citing evidence available to date from specified indicators and by mentioning progress of other projects (whether or not U.S.) which contribute to same goal. Discuss causes--can progress toward goal be attributed to project, why shortfalls?

The goal is to assist the LDC's in increasing the productivity of their present and future livestock populations.

This general technical services project has contributed to this goal by (1) the compilation and dissemination of data on the nutrient composition of feedstuffs at the Utah State feed information center, and (2) providing technical assistance in the establishment of regional centers to compile and disseminate feed composition information.

The activities in Feed Information Centers in Germany, France, United Kingdom and Australia also contribute to the achievement of this goal in LDC's, as well as regional feed information centers in LDC's (Latin America, Middle East, Asia).

18. Evaluation findings about PURPOSE - Quote the approved project purpose. Cite progress toward each End-of-Project Status (EOPS) condition. When can achievement be expected? Discuss causes of progress or shortfalls.

The project purpose is to assist in the development of feed information systems in LDC's that will facilitate the formulation of efficient livestock diets and the development of practical feeding systems using locally available feed sources.

Major achievements have been made towards the EOPS, ie (1) regional feed-information centers have been established in Latin America and the Middle East, and steps are being taken to establish a center/s in Asia; (2) LDC's are utilizing the capabilities and information of the Utah State Feed Information Center, as well as centers in other developed countries, and their own LDC centers and (3) various feed composition publications have been prepared.

Progress beyond expectations can be attributed to the efforts of the contractor in promoting the development of regional feed information centers, and to the local recognition of the value of these centers.

19. Evaluation findings about OUTPUTS and INPUTS - Note any particular success or difficulties. Comment on significant management experiences of host contractor, and donor organizations. Describe any necessary changes in schedule or in type and quantity of resources or outputs needed to achieve purpose.

Outputs

Utah State has functioned most effectively in informing LDC's of the need for current and accurate information on the nutrient composition of livestock feeds to formulate efficient livestock diets, and in providing technical assistance as requested by LDC's.

Inputs

Progress to date indicates that technical assistance and services can be effectively provided by U.S. institutions and their personnel at low cost and with high payoff.

20. Evaluation findings about UNPLANNED EFFECTS - Has project had any unexpected results or impact, such as changes in social structure, environment, technical or economic situation? Are these effects advantageous or not? Do they require any change in plans?

Progress made in the establishment of the Middle East Center has been somewhat more rapid than expected.

However progress in Africa has been less than expected.

Neither of these unplanned effects will necessitate any change in plans.

21. CHANGES in DESIGN or EXECUTION - Explain the rationale for any proposed modification in project design or execution which now appear advisable as a result of the preceding findings (items 16 to 20 above) and which were reflected in one or more of the action decisions listed on page 1 or noted in Item 15 on page 2.

No modifications in project design or execution are indicated at this point.

LESSONS LEARNED - What advice can you give a colleague about development strategy-- e.g., how to tackle a similar development problem or to manage a similar project in another country? What can be suggested for follow-on in this country? Similarly, do you have any suggestions about evaluation methodology?

The achievements of this project serve to emphasize the prime role that U.S. institutions and their personnel can have in providing technical services and assistance to LDC's in the design and implementation of their own feed composition/feeding systems activities, and in facilitating the interchange of information on a worldwide and standardized basis.

SPECIAL COMMENTS or REMARKS (For AID/W projects, assess likelihood that results of project will be utilized in LDC's).

The results of this project are already being utilized. Information on the nutrient composition of feedstuffs is now available for regional and worldwide distribution from the Utah Feed Information Center, other centers in developed countries, and from centers recently established in developing countries.