Federal GMO labeling may not go into effect for 3 years

Here are three other things to expect from the federal GMO labeling program.

- 1. Compliance is up to three years away: "Technically the act provides for two years, but . . . there isn't even a definition yet about what constitutes bioengineered food, so there is likely going to be a lot of back and forth . . . the likelihood that this is going to go into effect within two years isn't great," Creighton Magid, a partner at the law firm Dorsey & Whitney. . .told SN. Small food manufacturers. . . will have at least one year extra to comply with what the USDA promulgates, added Magid.
- 2. Products derived from animals fed GM feed will be exempt: "This makes it clear that beef is not bioengineered and subject to the regulations if the only connection it has to bioengineering is what it's eating," [explained Magid.]
- 3. The USDA will develop the standards: ". . . . I think the FDA is a little miffed that it doesn't have the responsibility . . . but I feel that the advocates for the bill felt that the USDA would provide a more business-friendly approach. . ." said Magid.

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