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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>PHILIPPINES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: PILAR MARILYN P. PAGAYUNAN Director IV Center for Food Regulation and Research (CFRR) Food and Drug Administration DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: GLADDYS ADRIANO-PASCUAL Center for Food Regulation and Research (CFRR) Food and Drug Administration DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Email: cfr@fda.gov.ph ; gapascual@fda.gov.ph
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Raw Materials and Prepackaged Processed Food Products
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Addendum to FDA Circular No. 2020-033 "Procedure for the Use of the Modified Electronic Registration System for Raw Materials and Prepackaged Processed Food Products" Repealing FDA Circular No. 2016-014 "Procedure for the Use of Electronic Registration System for Prepackaged Processed Food Products" to Include Process Steps for the Correction of Certificate of Product Registration, Additional Guidelines in Accomplishing Online Application Form, To include the requirements stipulated in FC No. 2021-028, and Express Repeal of Relevant FDA Issuances for this Purpose."; (7 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: To comply with the provisions of Republic Act No. 11032, otherwise known as, the "Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018", there is a need to amend FDA Circular No. 2020-033 or the "Procedure for the Use of the Modified Electronic Registration System for Raw Materials and Prepackaged Processed Food Products", to include process steps for the correction of Certificate of Product Registration (CPR), additional guidelines in accomplishing online application form, to include the requirements stipulated in FC No. 2021-028, and express repeal of relevant FDA issuances for this purpose.

<p>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: This Circular aims to:</p> <p>A. Include information for sweetened beverages, HALAL or Organic products, with front of pack labeling, and with SPS, DSPS or SISA Seal in accomplishing the electronic registration application;</p> <p>B. Include certain provisions stipulated in FC No. 2021-028 relative to food products containing TFA; and</p> <p>C. Include procedural guidelines for the correction and cancellation of CPR.</p>
<p>8. Relevant documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Republic Act No. 11032, otherwise known as, the "Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018"• FDA Circular No. 2020-033 or the "Procedure for the Use of the Modified Electronic Registration System for Raw Materials and Prepackaged Processed Food Products"
<p>9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined</p> <p>Proposed date of entry into force: This Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation and upon filing with the University of the Philippines Law Center Office of the National Administrative Register.</p>
<p>10. Final date for comments: 26 November 2022</p>
<p>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</p> <p>Mr. Neil P. Catajay Director Bureau of Philippine Standards Department of Trade and Industry 3F Trade and Industry Building 361 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue Makati City Philippines Tel: (632) 751 4700; (632) 7913128 Email: bps@dti.gov.ph Website: http://www.bps.dti.gov.ph https://www.fda.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/FDA-COMMENTS-Draft-Addendum-to-FDA-Circular-No.-2020-033.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/TBT/PHL/22_6648_00_e.pdf</p>