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CMC NO. 110-2022

Issue Date: August 10, 2022

KEYWORDS: agricultural products, banned, Department of Agriculture, prohibited

- References:
 - Letter, dated 01 August 2022, from Mr. Leocadio S. Sebastian, Ph.D., CESO I, Undersecretary for Operations and Chief of Staff, Department of Agriculture; and
 - Related lists of banned and prohibited livestock, fishery commodities, and allowable fresh fruits and vegetables.
- In view of the above references, all District and Support Collectors are hereby ordered to disseminate the lists to all concerned offices in their respective Customs Districts such as, among others, the Formal Entry Division or equivalent unit, Arrival Operations Division or equivalent unit, CIIS Field Station, ESS District Office, and X-ray Inspection Project (XIP) Field Office.
- Furthermore, in accordance with the informed compliance regime, the Public Information and Assistance Division (PIAD) is hereby ordered to facilitate the dissemination of this information to all stakeholders through infographics, informative videos, and other form of communication.
- For strict and immediate compliance.

CMC NO. 114-2022

Issue Date: August 10, 2022

KEYWORDS: Department of Trade and Industry, general safeguard measures, importation, linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE)

With reference to the letter dated June 03, 2022, from Ramon M. Lopez, Secretary, Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) furnishing a copy of the DTI DAO No. 22-05 s. of 2022 dismissing the application for general safeguard measures in the importation of LLDPE pellets and granules from various countries, please be informed that said Order is based on the Tariff Commission's (TC) findings that the said product was not imported in increased quantities (whether absolute or relative to domestic production) during the period of investigation.

In view thereof, the TC has recommended that no definitive safeguard measure be imposed on importations of LLDPE pellets and granules falling under AHTN 2017 Codes 3901.10.12, 3901.10.92, 3901.40.00 and 3901.90.90.

For guidance.

CMC NO. 115-2022

Issue Date: August 10, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff classification dispute ruling

This has reference to the Tariff Commission Circular Dispute Ruling (TCC DR) No. 22-008 issued on 19 July 2022 pursuant to Commission Order No. 2018-1 (Rules of Procedure on Disputes involving Tariff Classification) in Re: Request for Tariff Classification Dispute Ruling on "Matting Agent (React HMA-680)" Consigned to Chemrez Technologies Inc. (Import Entry/Customs Reference No. C-245718-21, MICP) the dispositive portion of which states that:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, subject article is hereby classified as follows:

Product	AHTN 2017 Code	2022 MFN Rate	2022 AKFTA Rate
Matting Agent (React HMA-680)	2933.29.00	1%	Zero

For information and guidance.

For record purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt thereof.

CMC NO. 116-2022

Issue Date: August 15, 2022

KEYWORDS: exporter on record, STMO authorization, trade control examiner, trade facilitation request

This is with reference to the letter from Atty. Janice Sacedon-Dimayacyac, Officer-in-Charge, Director, Strategic Trade Management Office, Department of Trade and Industry (STMO-DTI) informing the Bureau that all Trade Control Examiners (TCEs) are requested to verify if the exporter on record has an STMO authorization before referring a trade facilitation request. In case the TCEs have reservations on the end-user of the shipment, the shipment may be referred for STMO's verification, but a Non-Strategic Good Certificate shall no longer be required or issued.

By way of background, as part of the Technical Working Group on Strategic Trade Facilitation (TWG-STF) and Subcommittee on Enforcement (SCE) of the DTISTMO, the Bureau regularly submits trade facilitation requests on export shipments identified by the TCEs and/or by the Selectivity Criteria of the Risk Management Office (BOC-RMO) as potentially strategic goods.

Under Memorandum Circular No. 22-05 (Guidelines on Non-Strategic Good Certificate), an NGSC may be obtained either as self-certification (in the Form of a notarized affidavit) or as issued by the STMO. Section 4.2 of the MC states that STMO-issued NCGSs are provided following a request from the TCEs if they suspect that the item/s in the shipment may require an STMO authorization.

However, if the exporter of the shipment already has an STMO authorization and the shipment has no end-use and/or end-user risk, an NGSC shall no longer be required by the TCEs even if it has been tagged in the Selectivity Criteria of BOC-RMO as potentially strategic for the following reasons:

- An entity with an STMO authorization has already undergone the extensive registration and authorization process;
- The entity's exported goods have already undergone commodity classification, and those not included in their authorization are already verified as non-strategic; and
- Holders of an STMO global export authorization are required to have an Internal Compliance Program (ICP), of which one of the elements is conducting proper commodity screening. These entities are required to regularly screen their products, and they also undergo audit.

The TCEs can readily check the authorized entities in the second tab (List of Companies with Export Authorization) of this link: <https://bit.ly/3JkrLih> or by scanning the QR code:



For information and guidance.

Please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof.

CMC NO. 123-2022

Issue Date: August 23, 2022

KEYWORDS: Committee for Accreditation of Cargo Surveying Companies, extension of accreditation, guidelines, pending review

In accordance with Section 1.1 of Administrative Order (AO) No. 243-A s. 2009 on the Renewal of Accreditation of the Cargo Surveying Companies, supplemented by Sections 5.2 and 6.7 of Customs Administrative Order (CAO) No. 6-2008, Section 11, Rule IV and Section 26, Rule IX of Customs Memorandum Circular (CMC) No. 312-2009, and finally, as agreed upon by the Committee for Accreditation of Cargo Surveying Companies (CACSC) in Resolution No. 15-2022 dated 09 June 2022, the following shall be the guidelines in the extension of accreditation pending review of the application, to wit:

- Application for renewal of accreditation shall be filed not earlier than ninety (90) calendar days but not later than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date of expiration of accreditation. A late filing fee of ten (10%) percent of the accreditation fee shall be imposed on applications received out of prescribed period.
- The CACSC may allow the cargo surveying companies a temporary extension of accreditation for a period of sixty (60) calendar days up to ninety (90) calendar days pending the review of its renewal. Provided that, the cargo surveying company has no derogatory record and has timely submitted its application for renewal to the CACSC Secretariat. Provided, finally, that the cargo surveying companies requesting for extension of more than sixty (60) calendar days shall submit a written justification and explanation to the CACSC to grant the request for extension.
- The request for temporary extension of accreditation pending review of application shall be availed of only once during re-accreditation period. No further extension shall be granted except for extraordinary circumstances.
- The request for extension shall be subject to subsequent deliberation for confirmation and resolution by the CACSC.

All District and Sub-Port Collectors, and all others concerned are hereby directed to confirm the dissemination of this Circular throughout their offices within five (5) days from receipt thereof for records purposes.

This Order shall take effect immediately for the information of all personnel.

Amending Administrative Order No. 243 Entitled "Creating a System for the Bulk and Break Bulk Cargo Clearance Enhancement Program of the Bureau of Customs"

Bulk and Break Bulk Cargo Enhancement Program

Rules to Implement the Bulk and Break Bulk Cargo Clearance Enhancement Program

CMC NO. 128-2022

Issue Date: September 2, 2022

KEYWORDS: fresh onions (yellow and red), non-issuance, Sanitary and Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC)

With reference to the letter dated 12 August 2022 from Gerald Glenn F. Panganiban, OIC-Director, Bureau of Plant Industry – Department of Agriculture (BPI-DA), please be informed that BPI-DA has not yet issued any SPSIC for the importation of fresh yellow and red onions.

Accordingly, BPI-DA requests to seize and/or forfeit all importation of fresh onions.

This will ensure that only plants, planting materials and plant products as authorized by BPI-DA under applicable laws are allowed to enter the country.

For information and strict compliance.

For record purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this Circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof.

CMC NO. 129-2022

Issue Date: August 31, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff classification dispute ruling

This has reference to the Tariff Commission Circular Dispute Ruling (TCC DR) No. 22-002 issued on 21 June 2022 pursuant to Commission Order No. 2018-1 (Rules of Procedure on Disputes involving Tariff Classification) re: Request for Tariff Classification Dispute Ruling on "Trima Accel® LRS®, Platelet, Plasma Set, Item Code: 80300" consigned to Terumo Marketing Philippines, Inc. (Import Entry/Customs Reference No. C-158670, NAIA), the dispositive portion of which states that:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, subject article is hereby classified as follows:

Product	AHTN 2017 Code	2022 MFN Rate
Trima Accel® LRS®, Platelet, Plasma Set, Item Code: 80300	9018.90.30A	Zero

For information and guidance.

For record purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt thereof.

CMC NO. 130-2022

Issue Date: August 31, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff classification dispute ruling

This herein attached Tariff Commission Circular Dispute Ruling (TCC DR) No. 22-005 issued on 28 June 2022 pursuant to Commission Order No. 2018-1 (Rules of Procedure on Disputes Involving Tariff Classification) in Re: Request for Tariff Classification Dispute Ruling on "Spectra Optia® Platelet Plasma Set, Item Code: 10400" Consigned to Terumo Marketing Philippines, Inc. (Import Entry/Customs Reference No. C-158670, NAIA), the dispositive portion of which states that:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, subject article is hereby classified as follows:

Product	AHTN 2017 Code	2022 MFN Rate
Spectra Optia® Platelet Plasma Set, Item Code: 10400	9018.90.30A	Zero

For information and guidance.

For record purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt thereof.

CMC NO. 131-2022

Issue Date: September 2, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff classification dispute ruling

This is with reference to the Tariff Commission Circular Dispute Ruling (TCC DR) No. 21-008 issued on 23 May 2022 pursuant to Commission Order No. 2018-1 (Rules of Procedure on Disputes involving Tariff Classification) in re: Request for Tariff Classification Dispute Ruling on "Hyundai H-100 Mini Cargo Trucks (Used)" consigned to Daewoo Engineering & Construction Co. Ltd. (Import Entry/Customs Reference No. C-159-2021, Port of Iloilo) the dispositive portion of which states that:

WHEREFORE, premises considered, subject article is hereby classified as follows:

Product	AHTN 2017 Code	2021 MFN Rate	2021 AKFTA Rate
Hyundai H-100 Mini Cargo Trucks (Used)	8704.21.29	30%	5%

For information and guidance.

For record purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your Offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt thereof.

CMC NO. 134-2022

Issue Date: September 6, 2022

KEYWORDS: R.A. Nos. 10963 and 11534, updates, VAT-exempt products

This is with reference to an email letter dated July 11, 2022 addressed to Commissioner Lilia Catris-Guillermo, Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR), copy furnished Deputy Commissioner Edward James A. Dy Buco and Director Yasser Ismail A. Abbas, CESO IV from the Policy and Planning Service, Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Department of Health (DOH) with updates to the "List of VAT-Exempt Drugs for Hypertension, Cancer, Mental Illness, Tuberculosis, Kidney Diseases, Diabetes and High Cholesterol."

Further, Department of Health (DOH) Memorandum No. 2021-0280 provided that all documents with reference to VAT-Exempt list of all COVID-19 related medicines and medical devices shall be forwarded to the FDA.

For information and guidance.

For record purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this Circular throughout your Offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt thereof.

CMC NO. 135-2022

Issue Date: September 6, 2022

KEYWORDS: heated tobacco products, R.A. Nos. 11346 and 11467, vapor products

This is with reference to a letter dated June 6, 2022 from the then Secretary of Finance, transmitting to the Bureau a copy of the letter dated 24 May 2022 regarding the enforcement of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), regulation on vapor products and heated tobacco products, in accordance with the effectivity date of the Joint Memorandum Circular No. 003, s. 2020 otherwise known as the "Implementing Rules and Regulation of Heated Tobacco Products and Vapor Products as Prescribed by R.A Nos. 11346 and 11467".

In addition, the FDA also advised the following vital matter for the smooth implementation of the aforesaid circular:

- **Mandatory Requirement of a License to Operate for Vapor Product and Heated Tobacco Product Establishments**

Starting 25 May 2022, an FDA License to Operate (LTO) shall be required for all establishments engaged in the manufacture, distribution, importation, and offer for sale, sale, including online sale/distribution of vapor products and heated tobacco products. Concerned establishments operating without an LTO shall be subject to penalties/sanctions provided under Book III, Article XI of the Rules and Regulations Implementing Republic Act No. (R.A.) 9711, R.A. 11346, R.A. 11467, Executive Order (E.O.) 106 s. 2020 and other penalties.

- **Ban on Flavored Vapor Product E-Liquid Solutions, Refills, and Cartridges**

Pursuant to R.A. 11467, the FDA reiterates that the manufacture, distribution, importation, and offer for sale, sale, including online sale distribution of flavored vapor product refills, other than plain tobacco and plain menthol, in the Philippines shall be prohibited.

Lastly, FDA also advised that the mandatory registration for the above-mentioned products is not yet in force pending the issuance of its guidelines for the registration of vapor products and heated tobacco products. FDA however, shall continue to

process and issue certifications for Product Batch Declaration (PBD) following FDA Circular No. 2021-010, to facilitate the implementation of taxation of vapor products and heated tobacco product refills with the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

For information and guidance.

For record purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt thereof.

OCOM MEMO NO. 95-2022

Issue Date: August 1, 2022

KEYWORDS: Disposition Form (DP), supplemental guidelines

To ensure that processing of documents for approval/disapproval and information of the Commissioner shall remain unhampered and to avoid repetitive editing of prepared disposition forms please take note of the following guidelines:

- The "FOR" portion of the DF shall read as Acting Commissioner; and
- The space allotted for the Chief-of-Staff shall be as follows:

ATTY. ANTONIO B. BEADO, JR.
Chief-of-Staff, OCOM

All other guidelines remain the same.

For widest dissemination and compliance.

OCOM MEMO NO. 102-2022

Issue Date: August 22, 2022

KEYWORDS: 100% physical examination, consolidated balikbayan boxes, E2M Customs System, exemption, shipments tagged abandoned

The sending of balikbayan boxes by OFW families and Filipinos abroad is a big part of the Filipino culture and these boxes are often full of for each member of the family. More often than not, delays in the filing of the required Goods Declaration and processing of these balikbayan boxes are due to reasons outside the control of their senders thus affecting their delivery to the recipients in the Philippines.

One of the reasons being attributed to the delays in the clearance of Balikbayan Boxes sent through DTI-FTEB Accredited Cargo Forwarders is the requirement imposed by the Bureau that all shipments subject of request for the untagging/lifting of their abandonment status in the e2m Customs System must be 100% physically examined during the cargo clearance procedure to effect their release from the Bureau.

In recognition of the hard work of our OFWs and other Filipinos abroad and as part of its social responsibility and to have an effective balance between trade facilitation and border protection to prevent enby of illicit and prohibited goods through the use of the Balikbayan Box System, shipments of consolidated balikbayan boxes sent through DTI-FFEB accredited cargo forwarders or deconsolidators tagged abandoned shall undergo the mandatory non-intrusive inspection and 10% physical examination, and Trace Detention System scanning. Only if there is an irregularity in the image, or if alerted shall said shipments be subject to 100% physical examination at the Ports.

For strict compliance.

OCOM MEMO NO. 103-2022

Issue Date: August 9, 2022

KEYWORDS: CMO No. 19-2022, Electronic Zone Transfer System (E-ZTS), implementation, PEZA-Registered Enterprises (PREs), transfer of goods,

In view of the different interpretations on the implementation date for the use of the electronic Zone Transfer System (e-ZTS) under CMO 19-2022 and to align it with PEZA Memorandum Order No. 2022-004 issued on 15 July 2022 by DDG Tereso O. Panga, OIC-PEZA, all BOC personnel are hereby informed that the mandatory implementation of CMO 19-2022, especially on the posting of the required General Transport Surety Bond (GTSB) for the interzone transfers shall be on August 16, 2022.

Further, all concerned are also directed to coordinate with their respective PEZA authorities in the Zones for the required access to e-ZTS.

For strict compliance.

OCOM MEMO NO. 106-2022

Issue Date: August 30, 2022

KEYWORDS: CPRS, deferral, implementation, non-broker account

This is relative to the attached unnumbered memorandum dated 18 August 2022 with subject "Implementation of CPRS for Non-Broker Account" that will accommodate the registration of non-brokers in the Client Profile Registration System (CPRS) as declarants.

In view of the pending declaratory relief concerning Section 106 (d) of the CMTA filed by CCBI before the Regional Trial Court of Manila Branch 16 docketed as "Civil Case No. R-MNL-04085-SC For: Declaratory Relief, the Bureau out of deference to the judicial resolution of the aforesaid case deemed it proper to suspend the implementation of the herein attached memorandum until further notice.

For guidance and information.

OCOM MEMO NO. 107-2022

Issue Date: August 5, 2022

KEYWORDS: discontinuance, feedback and workload capacity reports, Risk Management Unit, submission

In view of the consistent Inspection Act feedback that has been established per port in the past months, and the policy on the utilization of risk codes through CMO 05-2022 or the Implementation of the Offense Management System (OMS) of the Bureau of Customs, weekly reporting of high risk/ low risk shipments through Microsoft Forms as well as Workload Capacity feedback from Risk Management Unit (RMU) representatives shall no longer be required.

RMU representatives' functions as stated in CMO 23-2019 will remain in effect addressing urgent concerns related to the Selectivity System.

Furthermore, OCOM Memorandum 154-2020 is hereby revoked.

For strict compliance.

OCOM MEMO NO. 108-2022

Issue Date: August 1, 2022

KEYWORDS: CMO No. 08-2020, mandatory compliance

To guard against undervaluation and trade misinvoicing, all With reference to above mentioned subject, you are hereby directed to strictly follow the file name format (PORT CODE-REFERENCE NUMBER-DOCUMENT TYPE e.g P02A-C-12345-2019.SAD) for electronic documents as provided for under Section 3.2 of CMO No. 08-2020, which states that:

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3.2 For electronic copies, only PDF file type shall be accepted and each document should be submitted as a separate file. The resolution of the electronic documents shall be at least 600dpi. The file name format shall be PORT CODE-REFERENCE NUMBER.DOCUMENT TYPE. Please see illustrative examples below.

3.2.1. P02A-C-12345-2019.SAD (For SAD)

3.2.2. P02A-C-12345-2019.1NV01CE (For Invoice)

3.2.3. P02A-C-12345-2019.BL (For Bill of Lading)

3.2.4. P02A-C-12345-2019.1P.DT1. (IP stands for Import Permit, DTI is the issuing agency)

*3.2.5 Examples of other document types: PACKINGLIST
TELTRANS (Telegraphic Transfer), LC (Letter of Credit), LPSR
(Load Port Survey Report), etc.*

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Additionally, to effectively monitor and easily retrieve goods declaration filed in the ccps, the use of the format (PORT CODE-REFERENCE NUMBER e.g P02A-C12345-2019) shall be followed for the ticket subject created.

In case of goods declaration with reference number below five digits, "0" should be indicated before the number:

Example 1: Reference No. 1 should be P02A-C-00001-2022

Example 2: Reference No. 12 should be P02A-C-00012-2022

Example 3: Reference No. 123 should be P02A-C-00123-2022

Example 4: Reference No. 1234 should be P02A-C-01234-2022

Moreover, all concerned personnel are advised to close non-compliant tickets in the CCPS and to recommend the opening of new tickets using the prescribed format.

Lastly, all assessment personnel are strictly reminded to ensure submission of all the required documents in the ticket created.

For strict compliance.

OCOM MEMO NO. 109-2022

Issue Date: August 30, 2022

KEYWORDS: letter of authority, request, supplemental guidelines

In order to ensure the integrity of the implementation of the visitorial power of the Commissioner of Customs and dispel any notion of a "fishing expedition", all request for the issuance of a Letter of Authority (LOA) must be accompanied by the following:

- Summary of intelligence report as to why the subject warehouse is suspected to contain smuggled goods;
- Pictures of the subject area; and
- Description of the goods to be found in the subject warehouse.

Same requirements shall be complied by other government agencies that shall request the same.

For strict and immediate compliance.

OCOM MEMO NO. 111-2022

Issue Date: August 25, 2022

KEYWORDS: disposition, forfeited agricultural products, streamlining

In the exigency of service and to ensure that all possible manner of disposition is available to the Bureau, you are hereby DIRECTED to ensure that upon apprehension of alleged smuggled agricultural products, a representative from the concerned regulatory agency shall secure a sample and determine if the same is fit for consumption.

During the testing of the sample, the reefer or refrigerated containers shall remain plugged in to maintain the required temperature for the specific shipment. Once determined to be fit for human consumption, the shipment shall continue to be plugged in until the seizure and forfeiture proceedings have been terminated and the agricultural products have been properly disposed of.

If, on the other hand, the sample has been certified as hazardous, unsafe, deficient, damages, adulterated or unfit for human consumption, the container may be unplugged and the disposition thereof shall commence pursuant to existing modes under DAO No. 09 (series of 2010).

For your strict compliance.

AOCG MEMO NO. 246-2022

Issue Date: July 29, 2022

KEYWORDS: BIR-RDO, certificate/sworn declarations, Jireh Forge Inc., export sales

This is with reference to the letter dated June 20, 2022 from Atty. Gerlo C. Cacatian, Revenue District Officer, Bureau of Internal Revenue, Revenue District Office (BIR-RDO) addressed to the Director, Port Operations Service (POS), AOOG requesting for a Certificate/Sworn Declaration as to the Details of Export Sales (date of transaction, name of customer, amount of sales, and any other information related to export sales) of JIREH FORGE INC. with TIN: 201-990-360 and business registered address at Lot 10, BLK C-20, Brgy. Maderan, GMA, Cavite, for the period of January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 under Letter of Authority No.: 54A-202100000606.

By way of background, BIR-RDO is currently conducting an investigation on all Internal Revenue Taxes of the above-mentioned taxpayer pursuant to the provision of Section 5 subparagraph (B) of Republic Act (RA) 8424, otherwise known as the Tax Reform Act of 1997, as amended, granting power to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to obtain information from any person other than the person whose internal revenue tax liability is subject to audit or investigation.

Additionally, BIR assured that whatever data or information that can be obtained from the Bureau will be considered strictly confidential under Section 270 of the Tax Code of 1997 and will be used exclusively for internal revenue tax purposes only.

For appropriate action.

AOCG MEMO NO. 247-2022

Issue Date: August 1, 2022

KEYWORDS: AOCG Memorandum No. 229-2020, bunkering permit, submission

This refers to the AOCG Memorandum No. 229-2020 re: "Submission of Copy of the Accomplished Bunkering Permit" directing all ports and subports to submit a copy of an After-Loading Report (accomplished bunkering permit) within 24 hours after the actual loading of fuel to vessel.

Relative thereto, in order to reinforce the monitoring of the actual volume of bunker loaded to vessels and the consolidation of After-Loading Reports, it is hereby reiterated that you are directed to continuously accomplish and submit a copy of After-Loading Reports using the prescribed template together with copy of Invoice, Delivery Receipt and Official Receipt and submit in PDF format to the Port Operations Coordination Division (POCD) thru its only official email address at pozd@customs.gov.ph every Monday of the following week from the date of actual loading.

For strict compliance.

AOCG MEMO NO. 248-2022

Issue Date: July 25, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 19 July 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-083	"MATT LAQ SOLID STAVE MAPLE TOPS (WOODEN)"	4421.99.99	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem ACFTA - Zero*
22-095	"LACTOFIL™"	2106.90.91	MFN - 7% Ad Valorem
22-101	"BESTÄMMA FOOD CONTAINER WITH LID 0.5 L GLASS AP"	7013.42.00	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ACFTA - Zero*
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).			

AOCG MEMO NO. 249-2022

Issue Date: July 25, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 21 July 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-030	"BOLT FLANGE NSHF (6 MM X 14 MM), PART NO.: 90004-GHB-6201)	7318.15.10	MFN - 10% Ad Valorem AITGA - Zero*
22-090	"ARV BRÖLLOP CAKE STAND/LID 29 CLEAR GLASS AP JP"	7013.49.00	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ACFTA - Zero*
22-105	"RISOLL OIL/VINEG BOTTLE 55 CL PLASTIC/GLASS AP"	7013.49.00	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ACFTA - Zero*
22-107	"VARDAGEN JAR 2 W TAP 5.0 L AP"	7013.49.00	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ACFTA - Zero*
22-109	"DXN® SPIRUNANAS"	1905.90.40	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ACFTA - Zero*
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).			

AOCG MEMO NO. 251-2022

Issue Date: August 15, 2022

KEYWORDS: assignment, Certificate of Origin (CO), designated examination area (DEA), examination for shipments, Export Coordination Division (ECD), witness

One of the administrative provisions under CMO 2-2010 explicitly provides **that ECD shall exercise oversight function on all activities related to the issuance and utilization of CO whether unilateral, bilateral, regional or multilateral. Likewise, ECD. in coordination with Formal Entry Division and/or its equivalent units in all collection districts shall design a post evaluation system of CO's that cover imported products to ensure that proper and appropriate duties and taxes are collected.**

Further, in reference to Memorandum dated 23rd of October 2020 duly signed by this Office, ECD is vested with the authority to conduct post-evaluation of CO's pursuant to Administrative Provision nos. 01 and 03 of CMO 2-2010 for purposes of verification and validation of their authenticity.

This Office, in the exercise of the aforementioned oversight function, has issued a Memorandum dated September 8, 2020 to the Preferential Rate Units (PRUs) to submit a monthly report of all importation with COs for the purpose of monitoring its utilization to protect the integrity and correct application of the same. This process, however, proved to be lacking and insufficient because in order to accurately verify whether or not the HS CODE availed of in the utilization of CO in importation is in accordance with the rules, it is imperative that we reconcile or counter the same HS CODE with the actual contents of the importation by viewing the same. Otherwise, there is no way we can verify whether or not the same HS CODE is correctly utilized. There might be a possible presence of misclassification of correct tariff rates.

The ECD, during the conduct of post-evaluation of Certificates of Origin (COs) utilized in the importation, observed that several importers had submitted CO's with generic description of imported goods. Thus, not specifically specified in said COs despite being required by the Trade Agreements such as in Form D Overleaf Notes, to wit, **"the description of products must be sufficiently detailed to enable the products to be identified by the Customs Officers examining them. Name of manufacturer and any trademark shall also be specified."**

In such a case, granting of preferential treatment under CO with generic description would result to possible abuse of preferential tariff treatment since imported goods in generic terms could not be identified and verified as to its originating criteria against the Pre-Evaluation Report accomplished by the Exporting Country which would prejudice the accurate determination of applicable rate of duty.

In essence, the Philippines, as a third-world country, revenue generation is vital to improve or hasten the government's effectiveness in its primordial task to serve the best interest of its people. As such, the abuse of CO would greatly affect the revenue collection of the Bureau as a whole. Further, it is worthy to note that almost 70% of our importation utilizes CO for purposes of exemption from payment of customs duty.

In effect, proper classification and valuation of imported goods especially covered by COs are of necessity and will become an important exponent in the trade qualifications and specific assessment of customs duty, taxes and other charges.

Furthermore, as the Head Secretariat of the FTA Oversight Committee, ECD is clothed to provide support and technical assistance to the Committee in accordance with the FTA Oversight Functions provided for under CMO No. 16-2011.

Appurtenant thereto, in order to ensure that imported goods described in the COs are the actual contents of the shipments and the HS Code availed therein is accurate, this Office authorizes the ECD to designate its representative to perform said purpose during the conduct of every physical examination in the Designated Examination Area (DEA).

For information and strict compliance.

AOCG MEMO NO. 252-2022

Issue Date: August 15, 2022

KEYWORDS: Certificate of Origin (CO), importation, post evaluation

Pursuant to the hereto-attached Memorandum of the Office of the Commissioner dated October 23, 2020 and likewise upon the directive of the President and instruction of the Commissioner of Customs to maximize the collection of lawful duties and taxes and prevent the commission of customs fraud, kindly be informed that this Office will be strictly implementing the conduct of post evaluation of certificates of origin in order to avert or prevent its possible abuse and misutilization in the importation of goods.

In this regard, this Office, as authorized under the aforementioned Memorandum, will be issuing notices, demands and even subpoenas to the offices/persons concerned in implementing the same.

For your information and guidance.

AOCG MEMO NO. 253-2022

Issue Date: July 28, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 25 July 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-091	"IKEA 365+ FOOD CNTNR 1.0L RECTANGULAR GLASS AP"	7013.42.00	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ACFTA - Zero*
22-099	"DXN® LINA YOBITE"	0403.20.91	MFN - 7% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
22-128	"LUCENE™ HP1018BN"	3901.40.00	MFN - 3% Ad Valorem AKFTA - 3% Ad Valorem
22-158	"LUCENE™ HP1018BH"	3901.40.00	MFN - 3% Ad Valorem AKFTA - 3% Ad Valorem
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).			

AOCG MEMO NO. 254-2022

Issue Date: August 5, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 29 July 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-106	"SAXBORGA JAR W LID+TRAY S5 GLASS CORK AP"	7013.99.00	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ACFTA - Zero*
22-115	"IKEA 365+ IHÄRDIG SPICEJAR 15 CL GL BLACK 4P AP JP"	7013.49.00	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ACFTA - Zero*
22-146	"BOSPHORE® ASFV DETECTION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-155	"BOSPHORE® SEPSIS PATHOGENS PANEL KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-156	"BOSPHORE® STDs PANEL KIL V6"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).			

AOCG MEMO NO. 255-2022

Issue Date: August 5, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 02 August 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-147	"BOSPHORE® HIV-1 QUANTIFICATION KIT"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-149	"BOSPHORE® TREPONEMA PALLIDIUM DETECTION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem

**Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).*

AOCG MEMO NO. 256-2022

Issue Date: August 5, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 28 July 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-104	"DOLD PORT SUGARSHKR 15 CLEAR GLS STAINL STEL AP JP"	7013.49.00	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ACTFA - Zero* AIFTA - 5% Ad Valorem
22-134	"COATED CALCIUM CARBONATE POWDER (RECVMA1)"	3824.99.99	MFN - 3% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
22-143	"EDEN CREAM CHEESE"	0406.30.00	MFN - 7% Ad Valorem AANZFTA - Zero*
22-144	"BOSPHORE® CMV QUANTIFICATION KIT"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-145	"BOSPHORE® BACTERIAL MENINGITIS PANEL KIT"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-152	"COATED CALCIUM CARBONATE POWDER (RECVMA2)"	3824.99.99	MFN - 3% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*

****Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).***

AOCG MEMO NO. 257-2022

Issue Date: August 10, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 04 August 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-151	"BOSPHORE® HSV 1-2 QUALIFICATION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-153	"DXN NEPH-V"	2209.00.00	MFN - 15% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
22-157	"BOSPHORE® TROPICAL FEVER PANEL KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-164	"BOSPHORE® HBV QUANTIFICATION KIT"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).			

AOCG MEMO NO. 258-2022

Issue Date: August 10, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 04 August 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-148	"BOSPHORE® VIRAL MENINGITIS PANEL KIT V2"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
<i>*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).</i>			

AOCG MEMO NO. 260-2022

Issue Date: August 11, 2022

KEYWORDS: export, price, steel scrap

To guard against undervaluation and trade misinvoicing, all district collectors shall vigilantly monitor and ensure the correct valuation of Steel Scrap from Hong Kong.

In this regard, the following table shows the export price of Steel Scrap obtained by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) from its official source in Hong Kong:

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	CO	Period	SOURCE	Net Weight (kg)	PRICE/ MT	PRICE EQUIVALENT IN USD/KG
Ferrous Waste and Scrap, NESOI	HK	2021	Hong Kong	1,011,196,535	USD 405.4	0.41
Ferrous Waste and Scrap, NESOI	HK	Jan-June 2022	Hong Kong	479,798,542.	USD 432.6	0.43

AOCG MEMO NO. 261-2022

Issue Date: August 12, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 05 August 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-150	"BOSPHORE® COVID-19 SAMPLING AND VIRAL RNA EXTRACTION KIT"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-154	"BOSPHORE® NEONATAL MENINGITIS PANEL KIT V2"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-169	"MAGREV®24 NUCLEIC ACID EXTRACTION VERSATILE KIT"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-173	"BOSPHORE® RESPIRATORY PATHOGENS PANEL KIT V5"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-174	"BOSPHORE® ATYPICAL CAP PANEL KIT"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-175	"BOSPHORE® HPV DETECTION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
<i>*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).</i>			

AOCG MEMO NO. 262-2022

Issue Date: August 12, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 08 August 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-122	"MK-8835-059 KIT TYPE C"	9018.39.90	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
<i>*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).</i>			

AOCG MEMO NO. 263-2022

Issue Date: August 12, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 08 August 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-127	"MEVA ECOGIX HAND-SET FORMWORK WITH MULTIPURPOSE STEEL FRAME PANELS"	8480.60.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem AIFTA - Zero*
*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).			

AOCG MEMO NO. 269-2022

Issue Date: August 22, 2022

KEYWORDS: clearance, export, non-hazardous waste

This is with reference to the letter-reply dated August 10, 2022 from Engr. William P. Cufiado, Director, Environmental Management Bureau, Department of Environment and Natural Resources (EMB-DENR) to the letter dated May 4, 2022 of Mr. Albert C. Guma, Safety, Health and Environment Group Leader/Managing Head, SAMSUNG ELECTRO-MECHANICS PHILIPPINES CORP. with IIS Transaction No. CO-2022-018060 inquiring on the required clearance and documents from this Office for the proposed export of non-hazardous waste to Korea.

The EMB-DENR informs that the proposed export is not covered by the permitting requirements of DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 2013-22: Revised Procedures and Standards for the Management of Hazardous Wastes (Revising DAO 2004-36). Thus, Export Clearance is not required.

The exporters of this product, however, are enjoined to determine if the same is regulated by the Government of Korea in order for the EMB-DENR to send the necessary written notification on the matter in their favor.

For information and guidance.

AOCG MEMO NO. 271-2022

Issue Date: August 23, 2022

KEYWORDS: CMO No. 22-2022, Port Operations Manual, proposal, revision

This is in relation to the proposed revision of CMO No. 22-2010 or the Revised Customs Operations Manual. To jumpstart the drafting of the new manual, you are hereby directed to submit your inputs, comments, and/or recommendations on the procedures, practices and processes stipulated in the existing Port Operations Manual. Likewise, you may specify and/or identify outdated and obsolete provisions of CMO No. 22-2010 that needs to be revised/amended.

Kindly submit your response to the Port Operations Service, AOCG thru pocd@customs.gov.ph on or before 16 September 2022.

For appropriate action.

AOCG MEMO NO. 287-2022

Issue Date: August 31, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 22 August 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-166	"UNIO®96 NUCLEIC ACID EXTRACTION VERSATILE KIT"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-170	"BOSPHORE® STD EX-TRACT KIT"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-171	"BOSPHORE® HCV QUANTIFICATION KIT"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-176	"BOSPHORE® C. TRACHOMATIS DETECTION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-177	"BOSPHORE® HPV DETECTION KIT V4"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-179	"BOSPHORE® MTBC DETECTION KIT V2"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-180	"BOSPHORE® MUMPS DETECTION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
<i>*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).</i>			

AOCG MEMO NO. 288-2022

Issue Date: September 5, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 30 August 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-178	"BOSPHORE® MEASLES DETECTION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
<i>*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).</i>			

AOCG MEMO NO. 289-2022

Issue Date: September 2, 2022

KEYWORDS: tariff commission circulars/advance rulings, TCC/AR

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 30 August 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-182	"BOSPHORE® HPV HR-LR GENOTYPING KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem
22-229	"DXN ALOE V HYDRATING MASK"	3304.99.90	MFN - 7% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
22-183	"LIVER PATE ST 7005/22"	3302.10.30	MFN - 1% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
22-230	"GANOZHI® TOOTHPASTE"	3306.10.91	MFN - 7% Ad Valorem ATIGA - Zero*
<i>*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO).</i>			

AOCG MEMO NO. 290-2022

Issue Date: September 6, 2022

KEYWORDS: export permit, scrap metal, transboundary movement

This is with reference to the letter-reply dated August 30, 2022 from Engr. William P. Cufiado, Director, Environmental Management Bureau, Department of Environment and Natural Resources (EMB-DENR) to the letter dated July 27, 2022 of Mr. Hsin-Tee Lee, Chief Operating Officer, JI-JZ ELECTRONIC PROCESSING PLANT, INC. with IIS Transaction No. CO-2022-029960 requesting that the company will be exempted from securing an export clearance for the transboundary movement of scrap metals (iron, aluminum and copper).

The EMB-DENR informs that the abovementioned scraps are not classified as hazardous wastes pursuant to Table 2.1 of DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 2013-22: Revised Procedures and Standards for the Management of Hazardous Wastes (Revising DAO 2004-36).

EMB-DENR interposed no objection to the proposed export without need of Export Clearance provided that it shall be limited to the subject scraps or recyclable materials.

However, the exporters of these products are enjoined to determine if the same are regulated by the country of destination in order for the EMB-DENR to send the necessary written notification on the matter in their favor.

For information and guidance.

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