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Committee on Import Licensing

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## AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES

### NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 5.1 TO 5.4 OF THE AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup>

#### PHILIPPINES

The following notification, originally received on 3 November 2022, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the Philippines.

	Category	Notification details
1	<b>Notifying Member</b>	Philippines
2	<b>Title of new legislation/procedure</b>	DENR Administrative Order No. 2021-31 - Chemical Control Order for Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)
3	<b>Date of Publication</b>	14 January 2022
4	<b>Date of entry into force</b>	29 January 2022
5	<b>Website link/Official publication of the new regulation/procedure</b>	<a href="https://pod.emb.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/DAO_2021-31_Chemical-Control-Order-for-HFCs.pdf">https://pod.emb.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/DAO_2021-31_Chemical-Control-Order-for-HFCs.pdf</a>
6	<b>Have you attached a copy of the regulation (PDF) to the Secretariat</b>	[X] Yes. <i>(Please attach a copy of the regulation to the notification.)</i> [ ] No.
7	<b>Type of notification</b>	[X] (a) New licensing regulation/procedure; (please answer question 8 to 14) [ ] (b) Changes to a regulation/procedure which has been previously notified in document: _____; <i>(please answer question 15 and 16)</i>
8	<b>List of products subject to licensing</b>	Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)
9	<b>Nature of licensing</b>	Automatic: [ ] Non-Automatic: [X]
10	<b>Administrative purpose/measure being implemented</b>	(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Protect public morals; (b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protect human, animal or plant life or health; (c) <input type="checkbox"/> Collect trade statistics or market surveillance; (d) <input type="checkbox"/> Protection of patents, trademarks and copyrights, and the prevention of deceptive practices; (e) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pursue obligations under the UN Charter and other international treaties ( <i>i.e. CITES, Basel Convention, Rotterdam Convention, UNSC Resolutions etc.</i> ) (f) <input type="checkbox"/> Quota (including TRQ) administration; (g) <input type="checkbox"/> Regulate imports of arms, ammunition or fissionable materials and safeguard national security; (h) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ <i>(please specify)</i>

<sup>1</sup> It is understood that the notifying Member has also completed its notification obligations under Article 1.4(a) and Article 8.2(b) regarding the relevant law/regulation/procedure notified for by filling this form in a full and complete manner.

	Category	Notification details
11	<b>Administrative body(ies) for submission of applications</b>	Ministry/authority and Department: Environmental Management Bureau Central Office Address: AQMTC Building DENR Compound Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City Website: <a href="https://emb.gov.ph">https://emb.gov.ph</a> Telephone: (02) 8928-3752 E-Mail: <a href="mailto:emb@emb.gov.ph">emb@emb.gov.ph</a>
12	<b>Contact point for information on eligibility</b>	Ministry/authority and Department: Environmental Quality Management Division- Philippine Ozone Desk Address: AQMTC Building DENR Compound Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City Website: <a href="https://pod.emb.gov.ph/">https://pod.emb.gov.ph/</a> Telephone: (02) 8539-4378 loc. 139 E-Mail: <a href="mailto:pod@emb.gov.ph">pod@emb.gov.ph</a>
13	<b>Expected duration of licensing procedure</b>	Ongoing
14	<b>A summary of the notification in one of the WTO official languages</b>	All importers with Hydrofluorocarbons must register under the Chemical Control Order for Hydrofluorocarbons prior to the issuance or application of the Pre-Shipment Importation Clearance. This must be applied through an online application at the EMB Central Office.
15	<b>In the case of 7(b), please indicate the type of new change(s)</b>	<p>(a) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Termination</b></p> <p>(b) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Suspension</b></p> <p>(c) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Modification of specific details in existing procedures:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Product coverage;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Administrative purpose;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Automatic or Non-automatic;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Duration of licensing;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Change the nature of quantity/value restriction;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Eligibility of applicants;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Contact information on eligibility;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Administrative body(ies) for submission of application;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Documentation requirements (including application form);</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Period for Application;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Administrative body(ies) to issue licence;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Processing time for issuing licence;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Licence fee/administrative charge;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Deposit/advance payment and relevant conditions;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal regulations/procedures;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Validity of licence;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other conditions of licence (extension, transferability, penalty of non-use etc.);</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Foreign exchange requirements;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ (please specify).</p>
16	<b>Please elaborate the changes in detail (in one of the official WTO languages)</b>	