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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: Food and Drug Administration – Center for Food Regulation and Research 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: Food and Drug Administration – Center for Food Regulation and Research Department of Health Civic Drive, Filinvest City, Alabang 1781 Muntinlupa, Philippines E-mail: info@fda.gov.ph Telephone No.: (632) 857-1900 Fax: (632) 807-0751
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): ICS: 67.220.20
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Administrative Order No. _____ – Subject: Revised Regulatory Guidelines Concerning Food Additives, and Processing Aids (14 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: The guidelines aim to update and put together the list of permitted food additives and prescribe standards for their use and application in food distributed in the Philippines whether locally manufactured or imported.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The guidelines are meant to achieve the following objectives: <ol style="list-style-type: none">To establish guidelines prescribing:<ol style="list-style-type: none">The condition under which a food additive may be safely used; andThe maximum quantity food of additive which may be used or permitted to remain in or on such food;To meet the demand for specific guidance on the use of food additives and ensure food safety, with the increasing awareness for safe food.To harmonize local food regulation with international food control laws, rules and regulations and to ensure market access opportunities; andTo update the list of permitted food additives and prescribe guidelines for their use and application in food distributed in the Philippines.To provide guideline in the approval of proposed new Food Additives.

8.	Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. No. 9711 – Food and Drug Act of 2009 • A. No. 10611 – Food Safety Act of 2013 • Administrative Order (AO) No. 88-A – Regulatory Guidelines Concerning Food Additives • Bureau Circular (BC) No. 2006 – 0016 – Updated List of Food Additives
9.	Proposed date of adoption: - Proposed date of entry into force: -
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from notification
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>Office of the Director Food and Drug Administration – Center for Food Regulation and Research Department of Health Civic Drive, Filinvest City, Alabang 1781 Muntinlupa, Philippines E-mail: pmppagayunan@fda.gov.ph; dgmicua@fda.gov.ph; mrsjyasona@fda.gov.ph; tessafda@yahoo.com Telephone No.: (632) 857-1900 Fax: (632) 807-0751</p> <p>Attached Copy: Administrative Order No. ____: Revised Regulatory Guidelines Concerning Food Additives, and Processing Aids. https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/TBT/PHL/17_3520_00_e.pdf</p>