NOTIFICATION

Revision

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Philippines  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  ENGR. ANA TRINIDAD F. RIVERA  Director IV  Center for Cosmetics Regulation and Research (CCRR)  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:**  MR. JEKEE BRYAN T. MIRAFLOR Center for Cosmetics Regulation and Research (CCRR)  Food and Drug Administration  DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  Email: [jbtmiraflor@fda.gov.ph](mailto:jbtmiraflor@fda.gov.ph); [atfrivera@fda.gov.ph](mailto:atfrivera@fda.gov.ph)  [www.fda.gov.ph](http://www.fda.gov.ph) |
| **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):** Vapor Products (e-cigarettes) and Heated Tobacco Products (HTPs); Tobacco, tobacco products and related equipment (ICS 65.160) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Procedure on the Application for License to Operate (LTO) through the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Electronic Portal (E-Portal) System (10 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Circular is being issued to provide the procedural guidelines and documentary requirements for e-LTO applications using the FDA E-Portal System for all establishments seeking to manufacture, distribute, import, export, sell, and/or advertise vapor products, heated tobacco products (HTPs), and similar products in the Philippines. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Protection of human health or safety; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** Republic Act No. 9711 - FDA Act of 2009  Republic Act No. 11032 - Ease of Doing Business and Efficient and Government Service Delivery Act of 2018  Section 144 of Republic Act No. 11467, Section II of Executive Order No. 106 |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** This Circular takes effect 15 days after publication in a newspaper of general circulation and the Office of National Administrative Register of the UP Law Center.  **Proposed date of entry into force:** This Circular takes effect 15 days after publication in a newspaper of general circulation and the Office of National Administrative Register of the UP Law Center. |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****X] or address, telephone or fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  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 1200  (632) 7751 4700; (632) 7751 4706 [bps@dti.gov.ph](mailto:bps@dti.gov.ph) <http://www.bps.dti.gov.ph>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/PHL/20_5068_00_e.pdf> <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/PHL/20_5068_01_e.pdf> <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/PHL/20_5068_02_e.pdf> <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/PHL/20_5068_03_e.pdf> <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/PHL/20_5068_04_e.pdf> |