NOTIFICATION

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 (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  MS. PILAR MARILYN M. 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:**  MS. CAROLINE C. DULLER  Center for Food Regulation and Research (CFRR) Food and Drug Administration DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  Email: [ccduller@fda.gov.ph](mailto:ccduller@fda.gov.ph); [mvdpinion@fda.gov.ph](mailto:mvdpinion@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):** Iron-Rice Premix |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Revised Bureau Circular No. 2007-010 entitled Guidelines in the Initial Issuance and Renewal of License to Operate for Iron Rice Premix Manufacturer/Repacker/Importer and Updating of the Standards for Iron Rice Premix (8 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The draft Circular aims to provide updated guidelines and standards on the table level of iron in rice in the manufacture of iron-rice premix to help address iron deficiency anemia in the country.  This Circular cover person(s) or establishment (s) that manufacture, repack, import iron rice premix used as an ingredient for iron fortification of rice as provided in RA 8976. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Quality requirements |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * RA 8976 - Philippine Food Fortification Act of 2000 * AO 2020-0017 - Revised Guidelines on the Unified Licensing Requirements and Procedures of the Food and Drug Administration Repealing Administrative Order No. 2016-003 |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** 15 days after filing at the UP Law Center and publication in newspaper of general circulation and upon acknowledgement of receipt of a copy hereof by the Office of the National Administrative Register.  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 15 days after filing at the UP Law Center and publication in newspaper of general circulation and upon acknowledgement of receipt of a copy hereof by the Office of the National Administrative Register. |
| **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:**  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) 751 4700; (632) 7913128 [bps@dti.gov.ph](mailto:bps@dti.gov.ph) <http://www.bps.dti.gov.ph> Head of Organization  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/TBT/PHL/21_3931_00_e.pdf> |