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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 24
SERIES OF 2022

TO : ALL FPA PERSONNEL
ALL FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDE STAKEHOLDERS

SUBJECT : REVOCATION OF THE MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 08 SERIES
OF 2022 (ACCEPTANCE OF LABORATORY TEST RESULTS FOR
REGISTRATION AND QUALITY MONITORING OF FERTILIZER AND
PESTICIDE PRODUCTS)

The Memorandum Circular No. 08, Service of 2022 (Acceptance of Laboratory Test Results for Registration and Quality Monitoring of Fertilizer and Pesticide Products) allows test results from testing laboratories not recognized by FPA to be accepted for product registration and quality monitoring to support the intensive quality product monitoring activities of FPA. However, upon investigation, this has led to the discovery of off-specifications of fertilizer products being circulated in the market.

Pursuant to **Section 6, Article II, No. 7 of Presidential Decree No. 1144 (P.D. No. 1144)**, the FPA, as a regulatory body, shall have the power to regulate and control quality of the different grades of fertilizers, to wit:

Section 6. Powers and Functions. The FPA shall have jurisdiction, on over all existing handlers of pesticides, fertilizers and other agricultural chemical inputs. The FPA shall have the following powers and functions:

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II. Fertilizers

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(7) To regulate and control quality of the different grades of fertilizer and to set new grades when necessary;



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(Emphasis Ours)


Hence, in the event of a discrepancy, the FPA Laboratory Result shall be the confirmatory analysis and shall serve as a reference for any dispute on laboratory results of all fertilizers, pesticides, and other agricultural chemicals. The FPA Laboratory Services Division (LSD) is the support mechanism of the agency for product quality monitoring and serves as the reference laboratory for all agricultural chemicals nationwide. The FPA is implementing its Laboratory Recognition Program and shall recognize only those laboratories which have the capacity to conduct and provide reliable laboratory test results for fertilizer, pesticide, and other agricultural chemicals.

This is also to reiterate that as part of this agency's commitment to ensure the quality of all agricultural chemical products available to the agriculture sector, only laboratory results from the FPA-LSD, DA Regional Laboratories, and FPA recognized laboratories shall be used for product registration.

In view thereof, the previously issued Memorandum Circular No. 8 Series of 2022 (Acceptance of Laboratory Test Results for Registration and Quality Monitoring of Fertilizer and Pesticide Products) is hereby revoked.

This Circular shall take effect immediately upon signing hereof.


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