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MEMORANDUM

TO : **FERTILIZER REGULATIONS DIVISION (FRD)**
PESTICIDE REGULATIONS DIVISION (PRD)
FPA REGIONAL FIELD UNITS (RFU)
ALL FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDE HANDLERS

SUBJECT : **TESTING OF FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDE SAMPLES AT THE LABORATORY SERVICES DIVISION (LSD)**

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In the observance of precautionary measures and government health and quarantine protocols, majority of the critical workforce of LSD are affected by COVID-19 resulting to a significant reduction of its operational capacity.

In view of the foregoing, please be informed that the samples received before January 10, 2022 will be analyzed by the LSD personnel on a first in, first out basis as soon as they completed their home quarantine and assessed that they are fit to work again. The LSD Management will try its best to conduct the requested analysis and release its results within the prescribed timeframe. Also, affected customers will be notified in case the said timeframe for analysis will not be met.

As such, to avoid the accumulation of samples at the laboratory, all fertilizer and pesticide handlers and FPA Regional Field Units (RFUs) are hereby advised to coordinate with our Fertilizer Regulations Division (FRD) and Pesticide Regulations Division (PRD) in order to facilitate the endorsement of sample for analysis to the FPA Recognized Laboratories. LSD will resume accepting samples for analysis by **January 19, 2022**.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**WILFREDO C. ROLDAN**  
Executive Director

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