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TO:

ALL PESTICIDE HANDLERS REGIONAL FIELD UNITS

PESTICIDE REGULATIONS DIVISION

This Office

SUBJECT:

PROVISION OF TRASH BIN FOR EMPTY PESTICIDES BOTTLES AND

CONTAINERS IN ALL LICENSED FPA ESTABLISHMENTS

The Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority (FPA) is mandated to protect the public from risks inherent from pesticides and to reinforce the product stewardship program of all pesticide companies as stipulated in Section 1 of Chapter 5 of the Pesticide Regulatory Policies and Implementing Guidelines, which states that:

"The company concerned shall ensure that its products are handled properly and workers protected during formulation, storage, transit, application and disposal."

In view thereof, please be informed that all pesticide handlers are required to provide a trash bin in their respective establishments for empty pesticide bottles and containers.

The content of the trash bins shall be collected regularly by their distributor for proper disposal. Additionally, they are obliged to encourage their end-users, specifically farmers to utilize the provided trash bins and to put-up information material on proper disposal of empty pesticide bottles and containers (see attached sample of information material).

All Regional Field Units shall monitor all pesticide handlers for strict compliance. Likewise, a copy of this Memorandum Circular shall be given to Crop Protection Association of the Philippines, Inc. (CPAP) and CropLife Philippines, Inc. for dissemination. Failure to conform to this Circular may result in the suspension or cancellation of issued licenses.

This issuance shall take effect immediately until revoked, supplanted or amended.

For your information and guidance.

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