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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 : ACCEPTANCE OF FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDE SAMPLES FOR
TESTING AT THE LABORATORY SERVICES DIVISION (LSD)
FROM SEPTEMBER 7-18, 2020

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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 resulting to a significant reduction of its operational capacity.

In view of the foregoing, please be informed that LSD will temporarily prioritize acceptance of the following samples for analysis from September 7 - 18, 2020, to wit:

- a. fertilizer from the Department of Agriculture's Rice Resiliency Project under the Plant, Plant, Plant Program and
- b. fertilizer and pesticide samples from product quality monitoring of the FPA Regional Field Units (RFU) that requires laboratory analysis from LSD.

As such, all fertilizer and pesticide handlers are hereby advised to coordinate with our Fertilizer Regulations Division (FRD) and Pesticide Regulations Division (PRD) to facilitate the endorsement of testing of fertilizer and pesticide samples for registration at our FPA Recognized Laboratories.

On the other hand, the samples received before September 7, 2020 will be analyzed by the remaining analysts at the LSD on a first in, first out basis. The LSD Management will try its best to conduct the requested analysis and release its results within the prescribed analysis time. Also, affected customers will be notified in case the said timeframe for analysis will not be met.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
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