



MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR 011
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TO : ALL EMB REGIONAL DIRECTORS

FROM : The EMB Director

SUBJECT : INSTRUCTIONS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE DEVOLVED FUNCTIONS UNDER DENR MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2002-12 ON THE CHEMICAL CONTROL ORDERS (CCOs), SMALL QUANTITY IMPORTATION (SQI) AND PHILIPPINE INVENTORY OF CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES (PICCS) CERTIFICATION

Please be advised on the following instructions and clarifications regarding the implementation and enforcement of the devolved functions under the DENR Administrative Order No. 2002-12 (Delegation of Authority to the EMB Regional Offices to Issue Permit to Transport for Hazardous Waste and Certification and Importation Clearance for Chemicals and Chemical Substances), EMB Memorandum Circular No. 2014-001 (Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances) and EMB Memorandum Circular No. 2015-002 (Harmonization of Registration Forms, Issued Certificates and Procedures for Chemical Control Orders (CCOs) and Small Quantity Importation (SQI)).

I. CHEMICAL CONTROL ORDERS (CCOs) REGISTRATION AND CLEARANCE:

A. CCO REGISTRATION

1. Issuance of CCO Registration is based on the location of the manufacturing and storage facilities of the firms/establishments.
2. Multiple issuance of CCO Registration is not allowed except in cases wherein the applicant has storage facilities within the jurisdiction of the issuing Regional Offices.
3. Issued CCO Registration is valid to be used for domestic transport and distribution of controlled chemicals.
4. The Regional Office shall deny CCO Registration and entry of the chemical substance if the consignee has no storage facility.
5. Strict compliance to Items 2.4-2.7 of the EMB MC 2015-002 must be done to ensure uniform implementation of the CCO procedures.

B. CCO IMPORTATION CLEARANCE

1. No Importation Clearance shall be issued without CCO Registration.

All CCO Importation Clearance should be secured and issued by EMB Central Office and Regional Offices prior to the actual arrival at the Port of Entry.

3. No Importation Clearance shall be issued when the chemical is already at the Port of Entry.

I. SMALL QUANTITY IMPORTATION (SQI) CLEARANCE:


1. If the chemical substances and products are ready to use and no longer require further processing to be sold into the consumer market, such as when they are for commercial or marketing distribution, they shall be exempted from securing SQI Clearances even if the substances and products (composition ingredients) are not listed at the Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS). The exemption shall not include substances and products to be used for industrial operations.
2. The importer has to submit an Annual Report to the Regional Office where the company has applied for SQI Clearance. It contains an information on the total quantity of new chemical substance import into the country through the Bill of Lading or Airway Bill.
3. Only one (1) SQI Clearance shall be issued for a year. However, a one-time SQI exemption may be given upon presentation of supporting documents and justification for the use in research and trial manufacturing.
4. The SQI Clearance shall be renewed yearly for a maximum of five (5) years starting January 12, 2015 (effectivity date of EMB MC 2015-002) and shall include the first year when companies secured their SQI Clearances. After which, Pre Manufacture and Pre-Importation Notification (PMPIN) shall be applied.

III. PHILIPPINE INVENTORY OF CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES (PICCS) CERTIFICATION:

Issuance of PICCS Certification shall not be allowed as stated in Memorandum Circular No. 2014-001.

For strict compliance.


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