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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF ONLINE PROCESSING OF PRIORITY CHEMICAL LIST (PCL) AND PREMANUFACTURE PREIMPORTATION NOTIFICATION (PMPIN) UNDER THE TITLE II OF DENR AO 29, SERIES OF 1992, OF RA 6969 (TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND HAZARDOUS AND NUCLEAR WASTE CONTROL ACT OF 1990)

I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Republic Act 6969, "Toxic Substances and Hazardous and Nuclear Waste Act of 1990", and DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 29 Series of 1992, "Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 6969", this Circular is hereby issued for implementation of online application and processing of Priority Chemical List (PCL) Compliance Certificate or its exemption and Premanufacture and Preimportation Notification (PMPIN).

As indicated at Section 17 of DAO 92-29, Notification of New Chemicals, "The notification must be made in accordance with a form and in a manner prescribed by the Department and accompanied with the payment of the prescribed fee." Furthermore, DENR Administrative Order 2007-23, "Prescribing Additional Requirements for the issuance of the Priority Chemical List (PCL) Compliance Certificate", has covered the requirements of Importer-Distributors, Importer-User-Manufacturers and User-Manufacturers to apply for PCL Compliance Certificate. PCL Compliance Certificate applications shall adhere to the requirements stated at the DAO 2007-23 and EMB Memorandum Circular (MC) 2014-003, "Supplemental Guidelines for the DENR AO 2007-23 (Prescribing Additional Requirements for the Issuance of the Priority Chemical List (PCL) Compliance Certificate)".

II. OBJECTIVE

This Circular aims to strengthen the applications of Priority Chemical List (PCL) Compliance Certificate or exemption and Pre Manufacture and Pre Importation Notification (PMPIN) Compliance Certificates by employing online permitting to the Certificates or exemptions.

III. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

- 3.1. The Environmental Management Bureau shall dedicate a website for the online permitting of PCL and PMPIN.
- 3.2. PCL applications viable for exemption shall be issued a letter of exemption online instead of a PCL Compliance Certificate.



IV. SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

- 4.1. The proponent shall be allowed to submit confidential information directly to Chemical Management Section of the Environmental Quality Management Division (EQMD-CMS) after submission of their online application.
- 4.2. The Bureau of Customs (BOC) of the Department of Finance shall be given an account to check the approved BOC Copies of PCL and PMPIN for importations.
- 4.3. The owners/proponent may contact the EQMD-CMS with regard to further PCL or PMPIN-related queries, or the contact number(s) indicated at the online permitting website on technical or other matters.
- 4.4. Payment of the applications may be made at the Central Office, Regional Offices, or other institutions as may be initiated and allowed.

V. VALIDATION OF ONLINE PERMITS ISSUED

All PCL and PMPIN Compliance Certificates issued may be validated through the Chemical Management Section (CMS) of the Environmental Management Bureau. Certified True Copies of the online certificates may be requested from the CMS.

VI. REPEALING CLAUSE

All provisions in the DENR MC 2014-003, "Supplemental Guidelines for the DENR AO 2007-23 (Prescribing Additional Requirements for the Issuance of the Priority Chemical List (PCL) Compliance Certificate)", and other issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed repealed, superseded and/or modified accordingly.

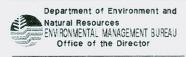
VII. TRANSITORY PROGRAM

All applications for PCL and PMPIN Compliance Certificates filed online starting May 2015 shall likewise be considered valid.

VIII. EFFECTIVITY

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately after publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DENK Assistant Secretary and concurrent EMB Director



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