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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>PHILIPPINES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: DR. SAMUEL A. ZACATE Director General Food and Drug Administration DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: PILAR MARILYN P. PAGAYUNAN Director IV Center for Food Regulation and Research (CFRR) Food and Drug Administration DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Email: ccduller@fda.gov.ph ; ojolaurenana@fda.gov.ph ; BPS@dti.gov.ph www.fda.gov.ph
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Alcoholic beverages (ICS code(s): 67.160.10)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Standard and Recommended Code of Practice for Processing of Distilled Fermented Coconut Sap (Lambanog); (9 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: The objectives of this Circular are: A. To prescribe the standard specifications for lambanog; B. To prescribe the recommended code of practice for processing, handling, and labelling of lambanog; and C. To provide guidelines in the inspection and application for FDA authorizations of lambanog manufacturers, traders and distributors.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety

8. Relevant documents:

- Republic Act No. 3720 (Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act)
- RA No. 9711 (FDA Act of 2009)
- RA No. 10611 (Food Safety Act of 2013)
- PNS/BAFS 47:2021 on Distilled Fermented Coconut Sap (Lambanog)

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: Fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation and upon filing with the University of the Philippines Law Center Office of the National Administrative Register.

10. Final date for comments: 8 February 2024**11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**

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