NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** PHILIPPINES  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Bureau of Philippine Standards  DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY  **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:**  Mr. Neil P. Catajay  Director  Bureau of Philippine Standards  DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY  Email: [BPS@dti.gov.ph](mailto:BPS@dti.gov.ph); [BPS.SMD@dti.gov.ph](mailto:BPS.SMD@dti.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):** Tobacco, tobacco products and related equipment (ICS code(s): 65.160) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Supplemental Guidelines for the Implementation of DAO 22-06, Series of 2022; (26 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** 1.1 Vaporized nicotine and non-nicotine products covered under Rule 2 of DAO 22- 06, Series of 2022 shall be revised as follows:  1.1.1 Vapor product system;  1.1.2 Vapor products or vapor product refills;  1.1.3 Vapor product devices;  1.1.4 Heated tobacco product (HTP) system;  1.1.5 HTP consumables;  1.1.6 HTP devices; and  1.1.7 Tobacco-free oral nicotine pouches.  1.2 Other novel tobacco products not covered above shall not be allowed to be manufactured, imported, distributed and sold to the Philippine market until such time that a reference standard is promulgated and included in this technical regulation. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Protection of human health or safety |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * Department Administrative Order (DAO) 22-06, Series of 2022 * Republic Act No. 11900, An Act Regulating the Importation, Manufacture, Sale, Packaging, Distribution, Use, and Communication of Vaporized Nicotine and Non-Nicotine Products, and Novel Tobacco Products * Department Administrative Order (DAO) No. 22-16, Series of 2022 |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** This Memorandum Circular shall be effective immediately after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation, a copy of which shall be submitted to the UP Office of National Administrative Register. |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 16 May 2024 |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  Mr. Neil P. Catajay  Director  Bureau of Philippine Standards  Department of Trade and Industry  3F Trade and Industry Building  361 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue  Makati City  Philippines  1200  Tel: (632) 77913127  Email: [bps@dti.gov.ph](mailto:BPS@dti.gov.ph)  Website: http://www.bps.dti.gov.ph  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/PHL/24_02646_00_e.pdf> |