

Republic of the Philippines **Department of Agriculture**Elliptical Road, Diliman

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

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TO:

ALL IMPORTERS OF ANIMAL FEEDS, VETERINARY DRUGS, AND

**BIOLOGICS** 

FROM:

THE OFFICER IN CHARGE, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT:

WAVING THE APPROVAL OF IMPORTABLES BEFORE APPLICATION

FOR SANITARY/PHYTO-SANITARY IMPORT CLEARANCE (SPS-IC).

In line with our earnest desire to improve the delivery of our services to our clients, the preliminary procedure before application for a SPS-IC underwent review. It has been determined that the review and approval of importables before applying for SPS-IC is redundant such that it adds more hours or days before an Importer could apply for SPS-IC either for animal feeds, veterinary drug and product (VDAP), or biologics.

Hence, after a thorough review, please be informed that the Bureau of Animal Industry waves the approval of importables before an Importer could apply for a SPS-IC either for animal feeds, VDAP or biologics. So with this waiver, right after the approval of the products for registration, the Importers could now request Intercommerce to upload and enroll these as importables. After which, importers may now proceed with the application for SPS-IC.

The review of the importables shall be done during the review of application for SPS on a per product basis. The Importer along with the approved certificate of product (CPR/CFPR) shall still need to attach photocopy of License to Operate (LTO), Proforma Invoice, among other documents as required.

For your information and guidance.

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