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MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL DISTRICT COLLECTORS
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FROM : *for* **ATTY. EDWARD JAMES A. DY BUCO**
Deputy Commissioner, AOCG

SUBJECT : IMPORTATION OF USED OR WASTE SHREDDED/CUT RUBBER TIRES

DATE : 03 June 2021

This has reference to the attached letter dated 31 May 2021 from Engr. William P. Cuñado, Director, Environmental Management Bureau, Department of Environment and Natural Resources (EMB-DENR) addressed to Mr. Bari Hernandez, Operations Supervisor, Ecotyre Waste Management, Inc. relative to the former's request for reconsideration to import used or waste shredded/cut rubber tires (size 20 cm chips) that will be processed as raw materials to produce rubber granules and powder.

In this regard, please be informed the EMB-DENR reiterates its decision that used or waste shredded/cut rubber tires is not listed in the allowable recyclable materials enumerated under Chapter 10 of DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 2013-22: Revised Procedures and Standards for the Management of Hazardous Wastes. Thus, importation of such materials is not allowed.

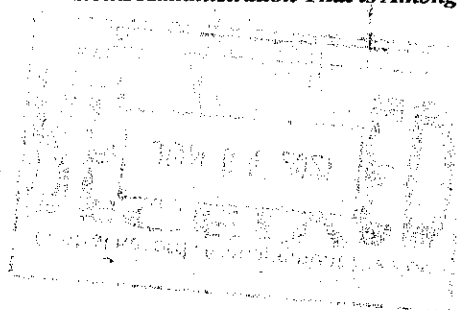
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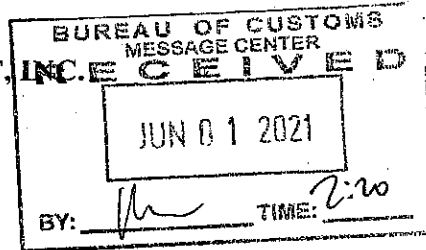


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Subject: **REITERATION OF DECISION IN LETTER DATED 04 MAY 2021 THAT THE IMPORTATION OF USED OR WASTE SHREDDED/CUT RUBBER TIRES IS NOT ALLOWED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 10 OF DAO 2013-22**

Dear Mr. Hernandez:

This has reference to your letter with IIS Transaction No. CO-2021-018745 in response to our letter dated 04 May 2021 requesting reconsideration to import used or waste shredded/cut rubber tires (size 20 cm chips) that will be processed as raw materials to produce rubber granules and powder. Please be informed that Article 4.2.e of the Basel Convention states that:

"Not allow the export of hazardous wastes or other wastes to a State or group of States belonging to an economic and/or political integration organization that are Parties, particularly developing countries, which have prohibited by their legislation all imports, or if it has reason to believe that the wastes in question will not be managed in an environmentally sound manner, according to criteria to be decided on by Parties at their first meeting."

In this regard, this Office reiterates our decision in the above-mentioned letter that used or waste shredded/cut rubber tires is not listed in the allowable recyclable materials in Chapter 10 of DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 2013-22: *Revised Procedures and Standards for the Management of Hazardous Wastes (Revising DAO 2004-36)*, thus importation is not allowed. However, you are highly encouraged to locally source it in order to manage our own generated waste.

Very truly yours,

ENGR. WILLIAM P. CUÑADO
Director

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