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Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Finance  
**Bureau of Customs**  
1099 Manila

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**MEMORANDUM**

To : **ALL DISTRICT COLLECTORS  
ALL PORT COLLECTORS  
ALL CHIEFS, FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION**

Subject : **Alleged Proliferation of Unregistered China Mosquito  
Coils including "Wangwang" brand smuggled in the  
Philippines**

Date : **7 March 2017**

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This refers to the letter of Ramon Dacay, President/CEO, Greencoil Industries Inc. dated 1 March 2017 regarding the alleged proliferation of unregistered Mosquito Coils smuggled in the Philippines bearing the brand "Wangwang" from China.

All concerned are directed to be alert on said brand and to verify the product registration of mosquito coils imported in the Philippines with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) prior to release of the shipment containing said commodity.

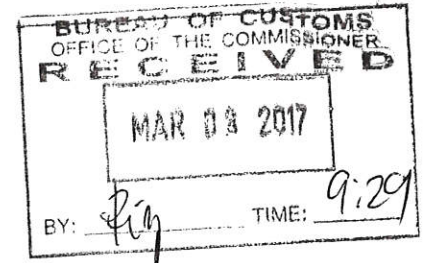
  
**ATTY. EDWARD JAMES A. DY BUCO**  
Deputy Commissioner, AOCG

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March 1, 2017

**Commissioner Nicanor E. Faeldon**  
 Office of the Commissioner  
 G/F OCOM Building  
 Bureau of Customs  
 Port Area, Manila



Dear Commissioner Faeldon,

Good day to you.

We are one the legitimate manufacturer of mosquito coils here in the Philippines. We would like to bring to your attention regarding the proliferation of unregistered mosquito coils **smuggled** in the Philippine market , bearing the brand **Wawang** from China.

Wawang is not a registered product at FDA but still they are sold in Metro Manila and even in the market at provinces in Visayas and Mindanao.

In this letter, we send together the laboratory result of Wawang China coils performed by Sumitomo Chemical in Malaysia, to give proof that they misdeclared the active ingredient content of the product, a clear violation of the implementing rules of FDA.

Also we send to you the Memorandum Circular from FDA alerting the Public the use of unregistered China mosquito coils including Wawang brand.

We hope you can help the legitimate manufacturers like us, to stop the proliferation of unregistered Mosquito Coil products from China as this posed a great health risk to our countrymen.

Respectfully,

**Ramon Dacay**  
 President/CEO  
 Greencoil Industries Inc.

cc: Secretary Leoncio Evasco  
 Office of the Cabinet Secretary



SUMITOMO CHEMICAL ENVIRO-AGRO ASIA PACIFIC SDN BHD

MS ISO/IEC 17025  
TESTING  
SMM NO. 296**TECHNICAL SERVICE REPORT (Report Detail)**  
TS-17013b

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TITLE : Content analysis of mosquito coil received from Greencoil, Philippines

REPORT DATE : 13<sup>th</sup> January 2017

MATERIAL: Mosquito coil

SCEA No. <sup>(1)</sup>	Sample information	Active ingredient <sup>(2)</sup>	Stated content
FO-17007	Wawang China	Esbiothrin	0.25% w/w

<sup>(1)</sup> Samples were received on 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2017<sup>(2)</sup> Esbiothrin = allethrin**METHOD:**

Esbiothrin content of mosquito coil sample was quantified following SCEA in house method LWI-BCT-T132: Determination of allethrin content in mosquito coil sample.

**RESULT:****Table 1:** Esbiothrin content of mosquito coil sample received from Greencoil, Philippines.

SCEA no.	Sample information	Esbiothrin content (% w/w)		
		Replicate 1	Replicate 2	Average
FO-17007	Wawang China	0.00442	0.00378	<b>0.00410</b>

**DISCUSSION:** (Note: Opinions and interpretations expressed herein are outside the scope of SMM accreditation)

Esbiothrin content of Wawang China coil was 62 times lower than its stated content of 0.25% w/w. An additional peak was detected in sample that matched to the retention time of dimefluthrin. Wawang China coil was estimated to contain 0.077% w/w dimefluthrin (analysis carried out to estimate dimefluthrin content in coil sample is outside the scope of SMM accreditation).

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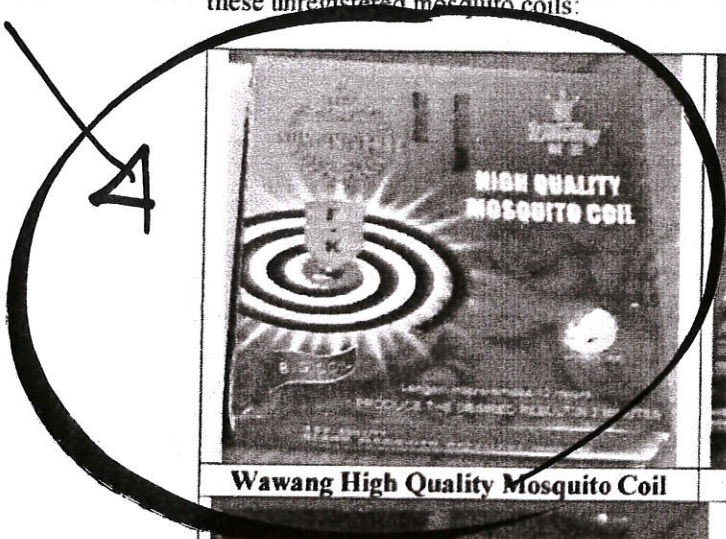
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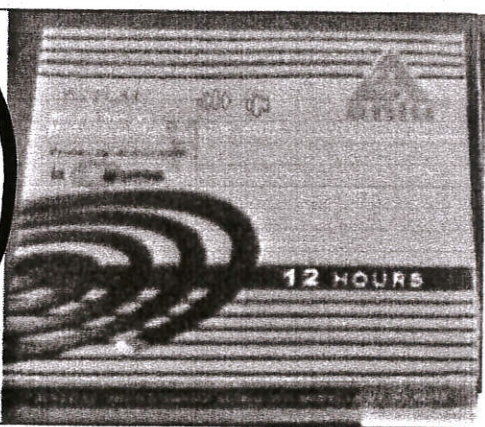
**FDA ADVISORY**  
No. **2015-051**

**SUBJECT: Public Health Warning Against the Use of Unregistered Mosquito Coils Proliferating in Region VII**

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advises the public against the use of these unregistered mosquito coils:



**Wawang High Quality Mosquito Coil**



**Anlu Mosquito Coil**



**Frog King Mosquito Coil**



**Anlu Plant Fiber Mosquito Coil**



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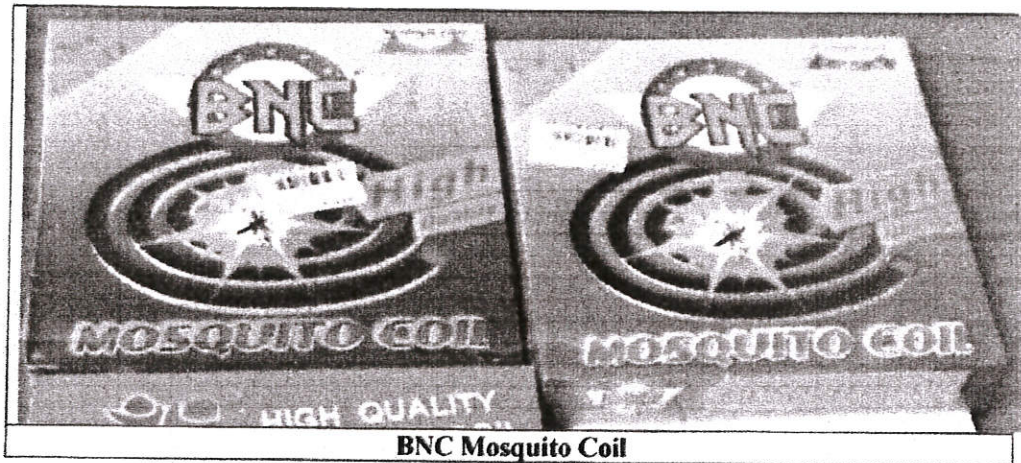


Lao Jun Mosquito Coil

Shertox Mosquito Coil



Brother Mosquito Coil



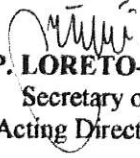
The following products were collected from stores in Cebu, Mandaue, Lapu-Lapu and Talisay City.

The safety of the abovementioned products cannot be ensured since the said products were not evaluated to be compliant to FDA regulations and ensured its safety and efficacy. These products are harmful, toxic and may pose imminent danger to human and animal health.

All consumers are advised to purchase only registered HUP products, distributed by FDA licensed manufacturer/trader/distributor, and encouraged to check the website (<http://www.fda.gov.ph/consumers-corner/registered-household-hazardous>) for other registered HUP products.

All Field Regulatory Officers are hereby ordered to monitor, conduct inventory and seize all HUP products that are not registered with FDA. Likewise all local government units are requested to ensure that all HUP products that do not have market authorization should not be sold or offered for sale by ambulant and sidewalk vendors. The Bureau of Customs is requested to remain vigilant to prevent the entry of unregistered and toxic health products in the country.

For more information and inquiries please email us at [info@fda.gov.ph](mailto:info@fda.gov.ph).

  
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Acting Director General<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to DPO 2015-1845