



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Finance  
**Bureau of Customs**  
1018 Manila

30 April 2009

**CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM ORDER**

NO. 18-2009

**SUBJECT: Executive Order No. 691, Temporarily Modifying the Rates of Import Duty On Crude Petroleum Oils and Refined Petroleum Products Under Section 104 of The TCCP of 1978 (P.D. No. 1464), as amended**

Executive Order No. 691, which became effective on 14 January 2008 per CMC No. 22-2008 dated January 28, 2008, provides in Section 3 thereof that "The MFN rates on crude and refined petroleum products shall be reduced based on certain triggers indexed to oil prices in the world market".

**In its Certification dated April 17, 2009 (copy attached) the Department of Energy certified that:**

The Department of Energy (DOE) duly certifies that the trigger price levels in the implementation of Executive Order No. 691, *Temporarily Modifying the Rates of Import Duty on Crude Petroleum Oil and Refined Petroleum Products Under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978 (Presidential Decree No. 1464)*, as amended, have not been reached for the period April 1-15, 2009.

The average CIF price of Dubai crude and diesel, in the international market were US\$52.75 per barrel and \$63.43 per barrel, respectively, during the period April 1-15, 2009. As such, pursuant to Section 4 of Executive Order No. 691, all import entries corresponding to articles listed in Annex "A" thereof, filed and received by the Bureau of Customs (BOC), shall be levied 3% rate of duty, effective May 1, 2009.

This Certification is issued on April 17, 2009.

(SGD) ANGELO T. REYES  
Secretary

For your information and implementation.

**NAPOLEON MORALES**  
Commissioner



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CMC No. 22-2008/CMO No. 5-2008  
CMO No. 10-2008/CMO No. 18-2008  
CMO No. 22-2008/CMO No. 25-2008  
CMO No. 27-2008/CMO No. 30-2008  
CMO No. 32-2008/CMO No. 34-2008  
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