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MEMORANDUM

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

SUBJECT : CLEARANCE IS NOT REQUIRED FROM DENR-EMB FOR THE
IMPORTATION OF GRANULATED BLAST FURNACE SLAG TO
BE USED AS RAW MATERIAL IN CEMENT MANUFACTURING

DATE : 20 January 2023

This is with reference to the attached letter reply of Engr. Cuñado, EMB-DENR to Ms. Arenas, PhilCement Corporation relative to the latter's letter with IIS Transaction No. CO-2022-022579 re: PHILCEMENT's application to include Granulated Blast Furnace Slag (GBFS) in its Importer Registry to be used as raw material in cement manufacturing, with the information that the material will come from Song Da Cao Cuong Joint Stock Company in Vietnam.

Considering that GBFS is already a product that had undergone preprocessing from the State of Export based on the submitted process flow/description to suit with the declared usage, EMB-DENR informs that its importation is no longer covered by the permitting requirements of Republic Act 6969 (Toxic Substances and Hazardous and Nuclear Wastes Control Act of 1990).

Accordingly, an Importation Clearance (IC) is not required from EMB-DENR. However, this does not preclude PHILCEMENT from complying with the requirements of other government agencies) that may regulate GBFS. Should there be a misdeclaration or the product is mixed with other types of material, denial of the shipment to enter the country shall be warranted and the same must be re-exported back to the state of its origin at the expense of the importer and exporter.

For information and reference.

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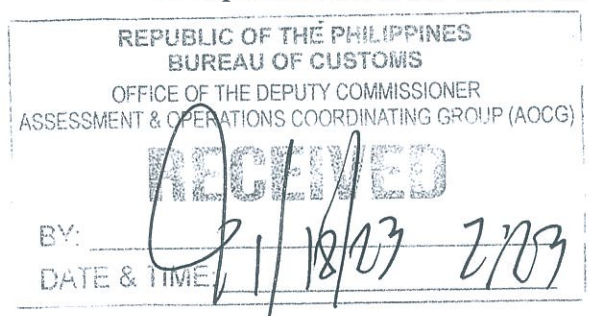
Subject: **CLEARANCE IS NOT REQUIRED FROM DENR-EMB FOR THE IMPORTATION OF GRANULATED BLAST FURNACE SLAG TO BE USED AS RAW MATERIAL IN CEMENT MANUFACTURING**

Dear Ms. Arenas:

This has reference to your letter with IIS Transaction No. CO-2022-022579 regarding you application to include Granulated Blast Furnace Slag (GBFS) in your Importer Registry to be used as raw material in cement manufacturing. It is noted that the material will come from Song Da Cao Cuong Joint Stock Company, Vietnam.

Considering that GBFS is already a product that had undergone preprocessing from the State of Export based on the submitted process flow/description to suit with the declared usage, please be informed that its importation is no longer covered by the permitting requirements of Republic Act 6969 (Toxic Substances and Hazardous and Nuclear Wastes Control Act of 1990).

In this regard, an Importation Clearance is not required from us. However, this does not preclude you from complying with the requirements of other government agency(ies) that may regulate GBFS. Should there be a misdeclaration or the product is mixed with other types of material, denial of the shipment to enter the country shall be warranted and the same must be re-exported back to the state of its origin at the expense of the importer and exporter.



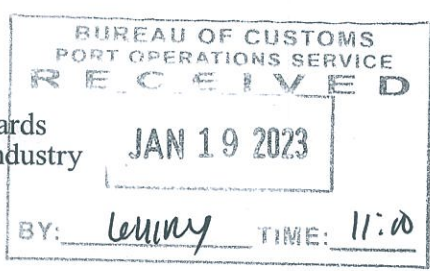
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