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

SUBJECT : IMPORTATION OF FERRONICKEL SLAG/AGGREGATE
TURNED INTO A PRODUCT IS NOT REGULATED BY THE
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU

DATE : 20 December 2022

This is with reference to the attached letter reply dated 16 December 2022 from Engr. William P. Cuñado, Director, Environmental Management Bureau, Department of Environment and Natural Resources (EMB-DENR) in response to the letter of Ms. Dianne Mercado, Importation and Compliance Manager FORTEM CEMENT CORPORATION (FORTEM) Re: Importation of FerroNickel Slag/Aggregate turned into a product.

EMB-DENR informs that the importation of FerroNickel Aggregate/Slag which had undergone preprocessing/refining in the State of Export to turn into a product for various industrial usages like the purpose declared above is not regulated by EMB-DENR. Thus, an Importation Clearance is not required. However, EMB underscores that this does not preclude FORTEM from complying with the requirements of other government agency(ies) that may regulate such product. 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.

EMB further informs that the decision rendered is only applicable to FerroNickel Aggregate/Slag from Hyuga Smelting Co., Ltd. with factory address at Hyuga City, Miyazaki Prefecture, Kyushu, Japan. Should the imported FerroNickel Aggregate/Slag be coming from other sources, FORTEM is required to furnish the EMB-DENR a Certificate of Quality or equivalent document indicating that it has already been preprocessed/refined to be a product.

For information and reference.



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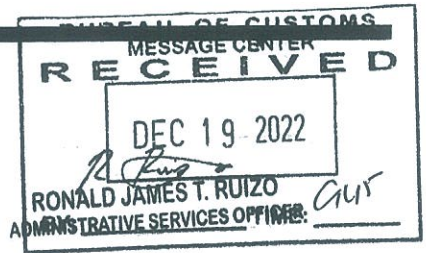


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Subject: **IMPORTATION OF FERRONICKEL SLAG/AGGREGATE TURNED INTO A PRODUCT IS NOT REGULATED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU**

Dear Ms. Mercado:

This has reference to your letter (IIS Transaction No.: CO-2022-045231) dated 15 November 2022 regarding your intention to import fine FerroNickel Aggregate/Slag called "Green Sand" for sampling and eventual industrial construction use.

Please be informed that the importation of FerroNickel Aggregate/Slag which had undergone preprocessing/refining in the State of Export to turn it into a product for various industrial usage like the purpose declared above is not regulated by this Office. Thus, 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 such product. Should there be a misdeclaration or the commodity is mixed with any waste 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.

Further, please be informed that the decision rendered here is only applicable to FerroNickel Aggregate/Slag from Hyuga Smelting Co., Ltd. with factory address at Hyuga City, Miyazaki Prefecture, Kyushu, Japan. Should the imported FerroNickel Aggregate/Slag be coming from other sources, you are required to furnish us a Certificate of Quality or equivalent document indicating that it has already been preprocessed/refined to be a product.

We hope we have addressed your concern.

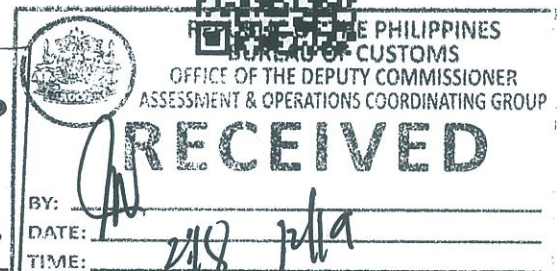
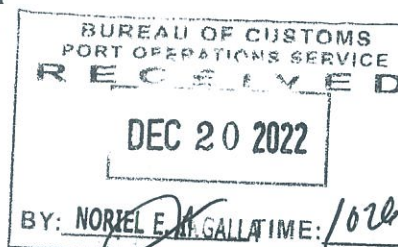
Very truly yours,

ENGR. WILLIAM P. CUÑADO
 Director

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