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MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL DISTRICT and SUB-PORT COLLECTORS
ALL CHIEFS, FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION
AND FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION PERSONNEL

FROM : **ATTY. VENER S. BAQUIRAN**
Deputy Commissioner
Assessment and Operations Coordinating Group (ACCG)

SUBJECT : **TARIFF COMMISSION CIRCULARS/ADVANCE RULINGS (TCC/AR)**

DATE : 18 November 2024

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 12 November 2024 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2024 RATES OF DUTY
24-619	"LIFEX003 ACIDIFIER"	3808.94.90	MFN – 3% ad valorem ACFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*
24-698	"SESAME FLAVOR ST6468/06"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AIFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*

*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN (COs).



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TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2024 RATES OF DUTY
24-744	"PECUTRIN™ (1 kg)"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AIFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*
24-745	"PECUTRIN™ XP (25 kg)"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero* ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AIFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* RCEP - Zero*
24-746	"ARN ANTISTRESS PLUS (2 kg)"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero* ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AIFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* RCEP - Zero*
24-749	"SC OREGANO-DEXTROSE F3007807"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem
24-750	"MAPLE BASE N&A F5005401"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem
24-752	"VANILLA FLAVOR ART F4393303"	3302.10.90	MFN – 1% ad valorem
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For information, guidance and strict compliance.

CC: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS



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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
TARIFF COMMISSION

Ref. No. 24-105

12 November 2024

COMMISSIONER BIENVENIDO Y. RUBIO

Bureau of Customs
G/F OCOM Building
16th Street, South Harbor
Gate 3 Port Area, Manila

Dear **Commissioner Rubio**:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603(f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act No. 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification Related to Importation or Exportation of Goods), this Commission is pleased to furnish your good Office with PDF copies of eight Advance Rulings on Tariff Classification, with TCC (AR) Nos. 24-619, 24-698, 24-744, 24-745, 24-746, 24-749, 24-750, and 24-752, issued by this Commission on 12 November 2024. These Advance Rulings have also been posted on the Commission's website www.tariffcommission.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Digitally signed

MARILOU P. MENDOZA
Chairperson

Encl: *As stated*

cc: *The Secretary*
Department of Finance
Manila



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES


TARIFF COMMISSION

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1	AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 3808.94.90 MFN - 3% ad valorem ACFTA - Zero RCEP - Zero		24-619
		3	DATE ISSUED
			12 November 2024

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“LIFEX003 ACIDIFIER”
	<p>Based on the Certificate of Feed Product Registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), technical data sheet, certificate of analysis, manufacturing process flow diagram, safety data sheet, and product label submitted, subject article is a feed acidifier in the form of a light brown powder. It is composed of lactic acid, formic acid, propionic acid, and silicon dioxide as carrier. Packed in 25-kg kraft bags, subject article is added to animal feed for its antibacterial and antifungal properties and pH reducing effect.</p>

5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 38.08 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers insecticides, rodenticides, fungicides, herbicides, anti-sprouting products and plant-growth regulators, disinfectants and similar products, put up in forms or packings for retail sale or as preparations or articles (for example, sulphur-treated bands, wicks and candles, and fly-papers). The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers a range of products (other than those having the character of medicaments, including veterinary medicaments - heading 30.03 or 30.04) intended to destroy pathogenic germs, insects (mosquitoes, moths, Colorado beetles, cockroaches, etc.), mosses and moulds, weeds, rodents, wild birds, etc. Products intended to repel pests or used for disinfecting seeds are also classified here. The products of heading 38.08 include disinfectants. Disinfectants are agents which destroy or irreversibly inactivate undesirable bacteria, viruses or other micro-organisms, generally on inanimate objects. Disinfectants are used, for example, in hospitals for cleaning walls, etc., or sterilizing instruments. They are also used in agriculture for disinfecting seeds and in the manufacture of animal feeds to control undesirable micro-organisms. The group includes sanitisers, bacteriostats and sterilisers.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3808.94.90, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% ad valorem; ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form “E”; and Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of CO Form “RCEP” or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">FOR THE COMMISSION <small>Digitally signed</small>  MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p> <p>Note: <i>In line with the Commission's objective to provide alternative mediums/channels of communication and to further enhance the accessibility of its frontline services to its stakeholders, this Advance Ruling is being issued in digital format, without a dry seal, barcode, and hologram, and is also uploaded in the Tariff Commission website. A hard copy thereof, accompanied by said dry seal, barcode, and hologram, may be issued upon request.</i></p>



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1	AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 3302.10.30		/ 24-698
	MFN - 1% ad valorem AANZFTA - Zero AHKFTA - Zero AJCEPA - Zero RCEP - Zero		
	ATIGA - Zero ACFTA - Zero AIFTA - Zero AKFTA - Zero	3	DATE ISSUED
			12 November 2024

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“SESAME FLAVOR ST6468/06”
	<p>Based on the quality assurance sheet, ingredient listing, manufacturing process flowchart, safety data sheet, photograph of the packaging, and other technical information submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of a yellowish to yellowish-brown powder with a roasted, nutty, and fried taste profile. It is composed of nature-identical and natural flavouring substances (consisting of odoriferous substances such as essential oils and synthetic aromatics), tapioca maltodextrin, and toasted sesame oil. Packed in 5-kg carton boxes with an inner polyethylene (PE) liner, subject article is used in the manufacture of dry seasonings, sauces, and cold dressings to impart a specific flavour.</p>
5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 33.02 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, mixtures of odoriferous substances and mixtures (including alcoholic solutions) with a basis of one or more of these substances, of a kind used as raw materials in industry. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers the following mixtures provided they are of a kind used as raw materials in the perfumery, food or drink industries (e.g., in confectionery, food or drink flavourings) or in other industries (e.g., soap-making), among others, mixtures of one or more odoriferous substances (essential oils, resinoids, extracted oleoresins or synthetic aromatics) combined with added diluents or carriers such as vegetable oil, dextrose or starch.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3302.10.30, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem and the following applicable rates of duty under the various Philippine free trade agreements (FTA), subject to submission of the corresponding proof of origin:</p>

2	TCC (AR) NO.
	24-698

<i>Free Trade Agreement</i>	<i>Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)</i>	<i>Proof of Origin</i>
ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA)	0	Certificate of Origin (CO) Form D, Electronic Certificate of Origin (e-Form D), or Origin Declaration by Approved Exporter
ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA)	0	CO Form AANZ
ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)	0	CO Form E
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Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

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FOR THE COMMISSION

MariLou P. Mendoza
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MARILOU P. MENDOZA
Chairperson

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4	<p>DESCRIPTION OF GOOD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“PECUTRIN™ (1 kg)”</p> <p>Based on the Certificate of Product Registration from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), manufacturing process flow diagram, product label, and photograph of the packaging submitted, subject article is a strawberry-flavoured feed supplement powder composed of vitamins A, D₃, and E, calcium, phosphorus, sodium chloride, magnesium oxide, zinc oxide, ferrous sulfate, and copper sulfate, among others. It is added to animal feeds to, among others, raise the natural resistance of swine and chickens against diseases, strengthen body constitution and promote bone formation, as well as improve the milking ability of lactating animals. Packed in 1-kg polyethylene bags, subject article is added continuously to swine and chicken feeds, at a dosage of 5 grams per kilogram of feeds, and to cattle and carabao feeds, at a dosage of 5 to 10 grams per kilogram of feeds, especially during lactation.</p>
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5	<p>REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION</p> <p>Heading 23.09 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers preparations of a kind used in animal feeding. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers sweetened forage and prepared animal feeding stuffs consisting of a mixture of several nutrients designed, among others, to achieve a suitable daily diet by supplementing the basic farm-produced feed with organic or inorganic substances (supplementary feed). This heading includes preparations for supplementing (balancing) farm-produced feed (feed supplements). Farm-produced feed is usually rather low in proteins, minerals or vitamins. The preparations devised to compensate for these deficiencies, so as to ensure a well-balanced animal diet, consist of proteins, minerals or vitamins plus additional energy feeds (carbohydrates) which serve as a carrier for the other ingredients. Although, qualitatively, these preparations have much the same composition as complete feeds, they are distinguished by a relatively high content of one particular nutrient.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 2309.90.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero and the following applicable rates of duty under the various Philippine free trade agreements (FTA), subject to submission of the corresponding proof of origin:</p>
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		3	DATE ISSUED
			12 November 2024

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**“SC OREGANO-DEXTROSE F3007807”**

Based on the product specifications, production process flow diagram, quality assurance sheet, product technical data sheet, ingredient statement, and photographs of the packaging submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of a light green to off-white powder with a medicinal aroma and slightly bitter flavour. It is composed of extractives of oregano (essential oil), dextrose, and modified corn starch. Packed in 22.68-kg fiber drums with an inner polyethylene (PE) bag, subject article is used as a flavouring ingredient in the manufacture of food products such as dry sauce mixes.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 33.02 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, mixtures of odoriferous substances and mixtures (including alcoholic solutions) with a basis of one or more of these substances, of a kind used as raw materials in industry. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers the following mixtures provided they are of a kind used as raw materials in the perfumery, food or drink industries (e.g., in confectionery, food or drink flavourings) or in other industries (e.g., soap-making), among others, mixtures of one or more odoriferous substances (essential oils, resinoids, extracted oleoresins or synthetic aromatics) combined with added diluents or carriers such as vegetable oil, dextrose or starch.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3302.10.30, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem.

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ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1	AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 3302.10.30 MFN - 1% ad valorem		24-750
		3	DATE ISSUED
			12 November 2024

4	DESCRIPTION OF GOOD
	“MAPLE BASE N&A F5005401”
	<p>Based on the quality assurance sheet, manufacturing process flowchart, ingredient statement, technical data sheet, product label, and photograph of the packaging submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of an opaque, dark brown, viscous liquid with a maple aroma and sweet and resinous flavour. It is composed of natural and artificial flavours (containing odoriferous substances such as essential oils and synthetic aromatics), molasses, corn syrup, propylene glycol, and caramel colour, among others. Packed in 18.14-kg plastic pails, subject article is used as an ingredient in sauce mixes.</p>
5	REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION
	<p>Heading 33.02 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, mixtures of odoriferous substances and mixtures (including alcoholic solutions) with a basis of one or more of these substances, of a kind used as raw materials in industry. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers the following mixtures provided they are of a kind used as raw materials in the perfumery, food or drink industries (e.g., in confectionery, food or drink flavourings) or in other industries (e.g., soap-making), among others, mixtures, whether or not combined with a diluent or carrier or containing alcohol, of products of other Chapters (e.g., spices) with one or more odoriferous substances (essential oils, resinoids, extracted oleoresins or synthetic aromatics), provided these substances form the basis of the mixture.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3302.10.30, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem.</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p>
	<p>FOR THE COMMISSION</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>Digitally signed</small></p>  <p>MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson</p>
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1	AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	AHTN 3302.10.90 MFN - 1% ad valorem		24-752
		3	DATE ISSUED
			12 November 2024

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**“VANILLA FLAVOR ART F4393303”**

Based on the quality assurance sheet, manufacturing process flowchart, ingredient statement, technical data sheet, product label, and photograph of the packaging submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of a clear to pale yellow liquid with a vanilla aroma and flavour. It is composed of artificial flavour (containing odoriferous substances such as essential oils and synthetic aromatics) and alcohol as diluent. Packed in 15.876-kg high-density polyethylene (HDPE) pails, subject article is used as a flavouring ingredient in sauces and liquid mixes.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

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In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3302.10.90, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem.

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