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FROM	:	ATTY. VENER S. BAQUIRAN Deputy Commissione Assessment and Operations Coordinating Group (AOCG)
SUBJECT	:	TARIFF COMMISSION CIRCULARS/ADVANCE RULINGS (TCC/AR)
DATE	:	12 February 2025

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 06 February 2025 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2025 RATES OF DUTY
24-912	"PEARL LIPID 8000"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*
24-913	"HERBIN POWDER"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero AIFTA – Zero*
24-919	"SC CELERY-DEXTROSE F3006705"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem
24-920	"CC LEMON NAT F2141406"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem
*Subject	to submission of their correspor	iding CERTIFICA	TES OF ORIGIN (COs).







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TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2025 RATES OF DUTY
24-922	"LEMON-PEELY TYP WONF 3UC43101"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem
24-923	"FC GRILL NAT F2497101"	2106.90.98	MFN – 1% ad valorem
24-924	"SOL TURMERIC 8.5 F3017304"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem
24-926	"FC ONION F2079101"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem
24-927	"CALIFORNIA SWEET ORANGE FROZEN MARMALADE BASE"	2009.90.99	MFN – 10% ad valorem
24-928	"MACROGARD"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AIFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*
24-929	"HICELL"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*
24-941	"VEGABMD 10%"	3003.20.00	MFN – 3% ad valorem ACFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*
24-950	"GLOBIND AQUA"	3909.10.90	MFN – 5% ad valorem ACFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*
24-951	"GLOBAMAX B700"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero
24-952	"GLOBADRY"	3824.99.99	MFN – 3% ad valorem
*Subject to	submission of their correspo	onding CERTIFICA	TES OF ORIGIN (COs).



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TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2025 RATES OF DUTY
24-961	"RUNEON BILE ACIDS"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero ACFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*
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CC: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS



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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES TARIFF COMMISSION

Ref. No. 25-015

06 February 2025

#### 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 16 Advance Rulings on Tariff Classification, with TCC (AR) Nos. 24-912, 24-913, 24-919, 24-920, 24-922, 24-923, 24-924, 24-926, 24-927, 24-928, 24-929, 24-941, 24-950, 24-951, 24-952, and 24-961, issued by this Commission on 06 February 2025. These Advance Rulings have also been posted on the Commission's website <u>www.tariffcommission.gov.ph</u>.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

Encl: As stated

cc: The Secretary Department of Finance Manila

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# TARIFF COMMISSION

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1	AHTN 2022 CODE AND 202	25 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
	ALITNI 000	0.00.00		24-912
	AHTN 230	J9.90.20	3	DATE ISSUED
	MFN - Zero AANZFTA - Zero AHKFTA - Zero AJCEPA - Zero RCEP - Zero	ATIGA - Zero ACFTA - Zero AIFTA - Zero AKFTA - Zero	C	06 February 2025

#### 4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "PEARL LIPID 8000"

Based on the Certificate of Feed Product Registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), certificate of formula, and technical data sheet submitted, subject article is a feed supplement in the form of a yellow, free-flowing powder. It is composed of crude palm stearin, palmitic acid, crude palm kernel oil (CPKO), and soy lecithin. Packed in 20-kg and 25-kg bags, subject article is added to swine and poultry feeds at an inclusion rate of 1% to 5% per metric ton of feeds as a natural lipid source.

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

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 additionalenergy feeds (carbohydrates) which serve as a carrier for the other ingredients. Although, qualitatively, these preparations have much the same composition as those in complete feeds, they are distinguished by a relatively high content of one particular nutrient.

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:



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Free Trade Agreement	Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)	Proof of Origin
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
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	0	CO Form AHK
ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	0	CO Form AI
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	0	CO Form AJ
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	0	CO Form AK
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

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.

FOR THE COMMISSION

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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

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## ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

## 1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY 2

AHTN 2309.90.20 MFN - Zero AIFTA - Zero 2 TCC (AR) NO. 24-913 3 DATE ISSUED

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DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "HERBIN POWDER"

Based on the Certificate of Product Registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), manufacturing process, product composition, and product declaration submitted, subject article is a fine, dull yellowish-brown to greenish-brown powder produced from grinding clean and dried *Trachyspermum ammi, Achyranthus aspera*, and *Azadirachta indica* herbs. Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is added to the feeds of poultry, swine, and aquatic species at an inclusion rate of 100 to 750 g per ton of feeds, as a source of bioactive natural choline in conjugated esterified form to maintain health and production, and help prevent fatty liver syndrome (FLS).

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Note 1 to Chapter 23 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 states that heading 23.09 includes products of a kind used in animal feeding, not elsewhere specified or included, obtained by processing vegetable or animal materials to such an extent that they have lost the essential characteristics of the original material, other than vegetable waste, vegetable residues and by-products of such processing.

Heading 23.09 of the 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).

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 ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form "AI".

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.

FOR THE COMMISSION

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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

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## ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

#### AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY 1 2 TCC (AR) NO. 24-919 3 DATE ISSUED AHTN 3302.10.30 MFN - 1% ad valorem 06 February 2025

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "SC CELERY-DEXTROSE F3006705"

Based on the product composition, technical data, production process flow diagram, product label, and photographs of the product and packaging submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of an off-white to light-green powder with a celery aroma and flavour. It is composed of extractives of celery (essential oil), dextrose, and modified corn starch. Packed in 50-lb carton boxes, subject article is used as a flavouring in food products.

#### 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., soapmaking), 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.

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.

FOR THE COMMISSION

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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

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1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3302.10.30 MFN - 1% ad valorem 24-920 DATE ISSUED

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "CC LEMON NAT F2141406"

Based on the product composition, technical data, production process flow diagram, product label, and photographs of the product and packaging submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of an off-white to light-yellow spray-dried powder with a characteristic lemon aroma and flavour. It is composed of extractives of lemon, modified corn starch, and tocopherols (antioxidant). Packed in 50-lb drums, subject article is used as a flavouring in food products.

#### 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.

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.

FOR THE COMMISSION

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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

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Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

#### 1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3302.10.30 MFN - 1% ad valorem 24-922 DATE ISSUED

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#### 4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "LEMON-PEELY TYP WONF 3UC43101"

Based on the product composition, technical data, production process flow diagram, product label, and photographs of the product and packaging submitted, subject article is a spraydried flavouring preparation in the form of a light-yellow powder with a lemon peel aroma and flavour. It is composed of natural flavour (containing odoriferous substances such as essential oil and synthetic aromatics), gum arabic, and tocopherol (preservative). Packed in 50-lb (net weight) drums, subject article is used as a flavouring in the manufacture of food products.

#### 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, 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.

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.

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.

FOR THE COMMISSION

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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

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Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

#### AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 2106.90.98 MFN - 1% ad valorem 2 TCC (AR) NO. 24-923 3 DATE ISSUED

06 February 2025

#### 4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "FC GRILL NAT F2497101"

Based on the product composition, technical data, production process flow diagram, product label, and photographs of the product and packaging submitted, subject article is a spraydried flavouring preparation in the form of a white to off-white powder with a smokey aroma and a characteristic smokey and meaty (grilled meat) flavour. It is composed of potato maltodextrin, natural grill flavour (from sunflower oil), modified corn starch, and silicon dioxide (as anticaking agent). Packed in 50-lb (net weight) drums, subject article is used as a flavouring in the manufacture of food products.

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 21.06 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers food preparations not elsewhere specified or included. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that provided that they are not covered by any other heading of the Nomenclature, this heading covers, among others, preparations consisting wholly or partly of foodstuffs, used in the making of beverages or food preparations for human consumption. The heading includes preparations consisting of mixtures of chemicals (organic acids, calcium salts, etc.) with foodstuffs (flour, sugar, milk powder, etc.), for incorporation in food preparations either as ingredients or to improve some of their characteristics (appearance, keeping qualities, etc.).

The Supplementary Explanatory Notes (SEN) to AHTN 2022 subheading 2106.90.98 state that flavouring preparations are mixtures of one or more flavouring substances or extracts, not based on odoriferous substances, with starch, flour or other food substances acting as a carrier. They are premixed for ease of application to food or beverages and function primarily to impart a characteristic taste.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 2106.90.98, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem.

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.

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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

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#### AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3302.10.30 MFN - 1% ad valorem 2 TCC (AR) NO. 24-924 3 DATE ISSUED

06 February 2025

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "SOL TURMERIC 8.5 F3017304"

Based on the product composition, technical data, production process flow diagram, product label, and photographs of the product and packaging submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of a dark-orange liquid with a musty, earthy aroma and bitter, starchy flavour. It is composed of extractives of turmeric, polysorbate 80 (emulsifier), and propylene glycol. Packed in 40-lb plastic pails, subject article is used as a flavouring ingredient in the manufacture of food products.

#### 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, 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.

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.

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.

FOR THE COMMISSION

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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

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Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

#### AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "FC ONION F2079101"

Based on the product composition, technical data, production process flow diagram, product label, and photographs of the product and packaging submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation composed of extractives of onion (essential oil), gum arabic, and anticaking agent. It is in the form of a white to off-white powder with a sulphur-like, pungent odour. Packed in 100-lb (net weight) drums, subject article is used as a flavouring in the manufacture of food products.

#### 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.

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.

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#### ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

## 1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 2009.90.99 MFN - 10% ad valorem 2 TCC (AR) NO. 24-927 3 DATE ISSUED

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#### 4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "CALIFORNIA SWEET ORANGE FROZEN MARMALADE BASE"

Based on the technical bulletin and photographs of the product and packaging submitted, subject article is a mixture of orange juice and lemon juice concentrates, added with water and standardized with pectin and citric acid. It is in the form of an orange liquid with a characteristic orange aroma. Packed in 39-lb (net weight) high-density polyethylene (HDPE) pails with tamper-evident lids, subject article is used as an ingredient in the manufacture of sweet orange marmalades, barbecue sauces, steak sauces, and as a flavouring in jams.

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 20.09 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers fruit or nut juices (including grape must and coconut water) and vegetable juices, unfermented and not containing added spirit, whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that the juices of this heading may be concentrated (whether or not frozen) or in the form of crystals or powder provided, in the latter case, that they are entirely or almost entirely soluble in water. Such products are usually obtained by processes involving either heat (whether or not in a vacuum) or cold (lyophilisation). Provided they retain their original character, the fruit, nut or vegetable juices of this heading may contain substances, whether these result from the manufacturing process or have been added separately, among others, standardising agents (e.g., citric acid, tartaric acid) and products added to restore constituents destroyed or damaged during the manufacturing process (e.g., vitamins, colouring matter), or to "fix" the flavour (e.g., sorbitol added to powdered or crystalline citrus fruit juices). Similarly, intermixtures of the juices of fruits, nuts or vegetables of the same or different types remain classified in this heading, as do reconstituted juices (i.e., products obtained by the addition, to the concentrated juice, of a quantity of water not exceeding that contained in similar non-concentrated juices of normal composition).

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 2009.90.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 10% ad valorem.

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1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 20	25 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY	2	TCC (AR) NO.
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#### 4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "MACROGARD"

Based on the Certificate of Feed Product Registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), production process flowchart, product label, product literature, and photograph of the packaging submitted, subject article is a feed supplement in the form of a powder. It is composed of autolyzed yeast cell wall produced from specially selected strain of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* yeast. Packed in 25-kg carton boxes, subject article is added to the feeds of poultry, livestock, pets, and aquaculture species at a rate of 50 to 1,000 g per ton of feeds, to improve the natural defenses of animals, to balance their intestinal microbiota (*i.e.*, to optimize feed utilization), and for better health status.

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

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 additionalenergy feeds (carbohydrates) which serve as a carrier for the other ingredients. Although, qualitatively, these preparations have much the same composition as those in complete feeds, they are distinguished by a relative high content of one particular nutrient.

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:





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#### TCC (AR) NO. 2 24-928

Free Trade Agreement	Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)	Proof of Origin
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
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	0	CO Form AHK
ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	0	CO Form Al
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	0	CO Form AJ
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	0	CO Form AK
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

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1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 2309.90.20

MFN - Zero AANZFTA - Zero AHKFTA - Zero AJCEPA - Zero RCEP - Zero ATIGA - Zero ACFTA - Zero AIFTA - Zero AKFTA - Zero

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#### 4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "HICELL"

Based on the Certificate of Feed Product Registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), product data sheet, production process flowchart, product label, product literature, photograph of the packaging, and sample submitted, subject article is a feed supplement in the form of a beige-brown spray-dried powder. It is composed of sugarcane autolyzed yeast obtained from a specially selected strain of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* yeast. Packed in 20-kg bags, subject article is added to the feeds of poultry, livestock, pets, and aquaculture species at a rate of 1 to 25 kg per ton of feeds, to improve feed palatability, pellet quality, and kibble texture, and as a source of highly digestible protein and amino acids.

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

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 additionalenergy feeds (carbohydrates) which serve as a carrier for the other ingredients. Although, qualitatively, these preparations have much the same composition as those in complete feeds, they are distinguished by a relative high content of one particular nutrient.

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:



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Free Trade Agreement	Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)	Proof of Origin
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
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	0	CO Form AHK
ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	0	CO Form Al
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	0	CO Form AJ
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	0	CO Form AK
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

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1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3003.20.00 MFN - 3% ad valorem ACFTA - Zero RCEP - Zero 2 TCC (AR) NO. 24-941 3 DATE ISSUED

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "VEGABMD 10%"

Based on the Certificate of Product Registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), certificate of formula, and technical data sheet submitted, subject article is an antibacterial feed premix in the form of yellowish-grey to pale-brown granules. It consists of 10% bacitracin methylene disalicylate (active ingredient) and calcium carbonate (carrier). Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is to be mixed with poultry and swine feeds, at a dosage of 4 to 250 g per ton of feeds, for the prevention and control of different forms of enteritis caused by *Clostridium perfringens*.

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 30.03 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06) consisting of two or more constituents which have been mixed together for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers medicinal preparations for use in the internal or external treatment or prevention of human or animal ailments. These preparations are obtained by mixing together two or more substances. The heading includes preparations containing a single pharmaceutical substance together with an excipient, sweetening agent, agglomerating agent, support, etc.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3003.20.00, 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 Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter.

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#### 1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3909.10.90 MFN - 5% ad valorem ACFTA - Zero RCEP - Zero 2 TCC (AR) NO. 24-950 3 DATE ISSUED

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#### 4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "GLOBIND AQUA"

Based on the composition certificate, manufacturing process flowchart, and technical data sheet submitted, subject article is a higly concentrated pellet binder mainly containing polymethylolcarbamide (urea-formaldehyde). It is in the form of a fine, white, free-flowing powder with a bland odour and is used for forming hard, durable pellets with exceptional water resistance and stability. Packed in 20-kg kraft bags with polyethylene lining, subject article is added to the feeds of aquaculture species at an inclusion rate of 0.5 to 2 kg per ton of feeds.

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Note 6 (b) to Chapter 39 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 states that in headings 39.01 to 39.14, the expression "primary forms" applies only to blocks of irregular shape, lumps, powders (including moulding powders), granules, flakes and similar bulk forms.

Heading 39.09 of the AHTN 2022 covers amino-resins, phenolic resins and polyurethanes, in primary forms. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers, among others, amino-resins. These are formed by the condensation of amines or amides with aldehydes (formaldehyde, furfuraldehyde, etc.). The most important are urea resins (for example, urea-formaldehyde), thiourea resins (for example, thiourea-formaldehyde), melamine resins (for example, melamine-formaldehyde) and aniline resins (for example, aniline-formaldehyde).

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3909.10.90, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 5% 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 Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter.

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## 1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY 2

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "GLOBAMAX B700"

Based on the technical data sheet, certificate of composition, and manufacturing process flowchart submitted, subject article is a calcium butyrate-based feed supplement for pigs, piglets, and calves. It is in the form of white to beige fine granules composed of calcium butyrate, wheat gluten, and vegetable oil and fat (palm stearin). Packed in 25-kg polypropylene bags, subject article is added to animal feeds, at an inclusion rate of 0.5 to 3 kg per ton of feeds, as a source of organic calcium; to stimulate differentiation and growth of intestinal wall; and to help maintain the natural balance of the intestinal flora of animals.

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

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 additionalenergy feeds (carbohydrates) which serve as a carrier for the other ingredients. Although, qualitatively, these preparations have much the same composition as those in complete feeds, they are distinguished by a relatively high content of one particular nutrient.

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.

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#### AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

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DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "GLOBADRY"

Based on the certificate of composition, manufacturing process flowchart, and technical data sheet submitted, subject article is a drying and conditioning agent for animal litter, in the form of a white-creamy powder with a distinct eucalyptus scent. It is composed of drying retentor, kaolinitic clays, calcium carbonate, and eucalyptus essential oil, among others. It keeps litter and nests dry and hygienic by absorbing excess moisture and ammonia, and it also possesses a disinfecting property. Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is dispensed to litter of poultry, swine, and cattle by lightly dusting their nests and pens.

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 38.24 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, chemical products and preparations of the chemical or allied industries (including those consisting of mixtures of natural products), not elsewhere specified or included. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that the chemical or other preparations are either mixtures (of which emulsions and dispersions are special forms) or occasionally solutions. Aqueous solutions of the chemical products of Chapter 28 or 29 remain classified within those Chapters, but solutions of these products in solvents other than water are, apart from a few exceptions, excluded therefrom and accordingly fall to be treated as preparations of this heading. The preparations classified here may be either wholly or partly of chemical products (this is generally the case) or wholly of natural constituents.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3824.99.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% ad valorem.

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#### AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2025 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY 1 2

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

#### "RUNEON BILE ACIDS"

Based on the Certificate of Feed Product Registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), brochure, production process flowchart, and material safety data sheet submitted, subject article is a feed additive in the form of a white to pale-yellow powder. It is composed of bile acids and corn starch. Packed in 20-kg bags, subject article is added to feeds of poultry, swine, shrimp, fish, and ruminants, to promote fat digestion and absorption, and protect liver and gallbladder health.

#### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

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, for use in making complete or supplementary feeds. These preparations, known in trade as "premixes", are, generally speaking, compound compositions consisting of a number of substances (sometimes called additives) the nature and proportions of which vary according to the animal production required. These substances include those which improve digestion and, more generally, ensure that the animal makes good use of the feeds and safeguard its health.

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; 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.

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