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MINIMUM ACCESS VOLUME (MAV) MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE APPROVAL OF THE MECHANISM FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 133 FOR MAV YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, to immediately address the supply gap in pork meat, to provide consumers with adequate and affordable food, and to lower inflation, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte approved on May 10, 2021 Executive Order (EO) 133 that increases the 2021 MAV for pork meat from 54,210 metric tons (MT) to 254,210 MT, or an additional 200,000MT;

WHEREAS, Section 1 of the EO 133 states that the "*MAV of pork meat for the MAV Year 2021 of 54,210 MT is hereby increased to 254,210 MT, provided that any unavailable balance at the end of 2021 shall not be carried over to 2022*";

WHEREAS, Section 2 of the EO 133 states that the "*MAV Management Committee is hereby directed to ensure that the allocation of the volume importation is fair and open to all qualified importers of pork meat, and in accordance with existing rules and regulations for the implementation of the agricultural MAVs, and other pertinent laws and regulations*";

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2021, a DA Inter-Agency Technical Working Group (TWG) was created and approved by Secretary William D. Dar to craft the Mechanics on the Implementation of the EO 133 or the Guidelines for the Distribution of the additional 200,000 MT for MAV Year 2021;

WHEREAS, the DA Inter-Agency TWG recommended a calibrated distribution of 55% or 110, 000 MT for July-September and 45% or 90,000 MT for October-January 2022 and to be apportioned as follows:

- Existing MAV Licensee – 25%;
- Pork Producers – 25%; and
- Other Importers/New Entrant – 50%.

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2021, the MAV Advisory Council was convened and the Proposed Guidelines for the Distribution of the additional 200,000 MT for MAV Year 2021 was presented and discussed;

WHEREAS, the MAV Advisory Council Resolution is to spread the volume evenly for 12 months or 16,667 per month and requested for the amendment of EO 133 to cover

a period of one (1) year implementation in order to distribute the additional 200,000 MT equally every month;

WHEREAS, results of the review of the DA Legal Services on the MAV Advisory Council Resolution to distribute the additional MAV allocation over twelve months (way beyond the MAV year) reveals that the resolution has legal infirmities and runs counter to the real intent and purpose of EO 133 and therefore not acceptable and invalid;

WHEREAS, the MAV Management Committee convened on June 16, 2021 to discuss and approve the guidelines for the implementation of EO 133;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that being deeply concerned with the inflation that may continue due to the late arrival of small volume of the additional MAV for pork meat, and to ensure compliance and attain the real intent and purpose of EO 133 of immediately addressing the current supply gap in pork meat, and to provide consumers with adequate and affordable food and to lower inflation, the MAV Management Committee hereby unanimously approves the following:

1. Calibrated Distribution of 70%, or 140, 000 MT, for July-October and 30%, or 60,000 MT, for November-January 2022 shall be open to all interested importers at a **FIRST-COME FIRST-SERVED** basis;
2. A maximum limit of 50 Full Container Load (FCL), approximately equivalent to 1,250 MT, shall be allowed per application per importer;
3. Other importers / new entrants are given equal opportunity subject to the agreed manner of distribution; and
4. Certain flexibility based on historical data and importation experiences of BAI and NMIS shall be applied to facilitate the full utilization of the additional volume within the MAV year.

All other existing MAV guidelines shall be observed in the implementation of EO 133.

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