

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES SUGAR REGULATORY ADMINISTRATION

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SRA SEDIVISION O4-06-06 DATE

Sugar Order No. 9 Series 2005-2006

SUBJECT: IMPOSITION OF ADDITIONAL IMPORT LIEN ON SUGAR IMPORTATION UNDER THE COUNTERTRADE SUGAR SWAP PROGRAM

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provision of Section 10.2 of Circular Letter No. 24, dated March 17, 2006, Series of 2005-2006 re: Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) for the Countertrade Sugar Swap Program (CSSP), an additional import lien has to be imposed on all refined sugar imported under the said countertrade program;

WHEREAS, the SRA has already established the ranges of world refined sugar prices (London #5) and the domestic wholesale prices of refined over this period since March 17, 2006 as basis to determine the reasonable amount of the additional import lien;

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the amount, collection and distribution of the said additional lien to be imposed on sugar importation under the CSSP;

NOW, THEREFORE, under and by virtue of the authority vested in the Sugar Regulatory Administration, it is hereby ordered that:

Section 1. The amount of **PhP20.00 per LKg-Bag** as additional import lien shall be imposed on all refined sugar imported under the CSSP.

Section 2. The said amount of PhP20.00 per LKg-Bag shall be paid by the concerned importer under the CSSP to the SRA as one of the requirements prior to the issuance of the SRA clearance on withdrawal of the imported sugar from the Bureau of Customs (BOC).

Section 3. The total amount of additional import lien collected from sugar importation under the CSSP shall be held in trust by the SRA for distribution among the sugar producers.

Section 4. The subject lien shall be distributed pro rata by the SRA among the producers (planters and millers) through their major federations, namely CONFED, NFSP, UNIFED, PANAYFED and LUZONFED (for Planters), PSMA, PIMA, AIM (for millers) plus the unaffiliated producers pursuant also, to Section 10.2 of said Circular Letter No. 24.

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Tel. 920-2416; 920-4367; 926-1933 Fax: 920-4325 **Section 5.** The basis of the distribution of the total amount of additional lien collected under the CSSP shall be the production of the previous crop year 2004-2005 as provided for also, by Section 10.1 of the said Circular Letter No. 24.

Section 6. All other liens pertaining to refined sugar importation as provided for in Sugar Order No. 4, Series of 2001-2002 shall also be imposed on this importation under the CSSP.

Section 7. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Section 8. Provisions of Sugar Orders, Circular Letters, and/or other rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with this Sugar Order, are hereby amended, modified or revoked accordingly.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SUGAR BOARD:

AMES C. LEDESMA