

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES SUGAR REGULATORY ADMINISTRATION

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SUGAR ORDER NO. 7
Series of 2004 – 2005

SUBJECT

ADVANCE SWAPPING OF "A" OR U.S. QUOTA SUGAR PRODUCED DURING CROP YEAR 2004-2005 INTO "B" OR DOMESTIC SUGAR

WHEREAS, the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA) is mandated to balance the supply and requirement of sugar in the domestic market in order to stabilize prices at levels profitable to producers and fair to consumers;

WHEREAS, the allocations for the U.S. Sugar Quota of Quota Year 2004-2005 had already been filled up by various traders/exporters and there is a significant volume of stocks of "A" or U.S. Export sugar available for possible domestic consumption, the disposition of which in the domestic market shall not adversely affect the condition of the market;

WHEREAS, keeping the "A" sugar as "A" will mean deterioration of it and therefore, not of exportable quality for the coming Quota Year 2005-2006 since, its condition when exported shall be subject to penalty which will result to a negative rating for our country as exporter;

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

Section 1. All outstanding "A" quedan-permits (regular or swapped for raw sugar and "A" refined sugar) issued during the Crop Year 2004-2005, are hereby allowed (eligible for) on a voluntary basis for advance swapping into "B" or Domestic Sugar.

Section 2. The "A" quedan-permits subject of advance swapping shall be charged with an Advance Swapping Fee of **\mathbb{P2.50/LKg-Bag** pursuant to General Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 2002-2003.

In addition, a bond of Ten Pesos (£10.00) per LKg-Bag either in cash or company's check with accompanying bank guarantee (please see attached form) referring to the check number thereof, shall be paid to/issued in the name of the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA), dated **01 April 2006**, upon submission of the "A" quedan-permits for processing, and wherein said bond shall be forfeited in favor of the SRA in the event the applicant fails to replenish the total volume of "A" sugar approved for advance swapping, with the corresponding "B" sugar **not later than 31 March 2006** of Crop Year 2005-2006.



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However, upon replenishment of the total volume of "A" sugar with the corresponding "B" sugar, the SRA shall return to the applicant the said bond in the amount of Ten Pesos (£10.00) per LKg-Bag. In the case of "A" refined sugar, the volume of "B" raw sugar to replenish the same shall be the volume of "A" raw sugar subject of advance refining.

The "B" quedan-permits issued during the current crop year shall be allowed (eligible) for replenishment.

Section 4. Application for Advance Swapping shall be filed in any of the following SRA Offices:

- PCRO, SRA Quezon City a.
- SRED, SRA Bacolod City b.

The deadline for the filing of the application for Advance Section 5. Swapping under this Sugar Order shall be not later than 31 August 2005 of the current Crop Year 2004-2005. Application for Advance Swapping shall not be accepted thereafter.

Section 6. The requirements of regular swapping application per Circular Letter No. 31, Series of 1997-1998 shall apply to herein advance swapping.

The "A" quedans subject of advance swapping shall be stamped "SURCHARGED FOR WITHDRAWAL AS "B" OR DOMESTIC SUGAR PER SUGAR ORDER NO. 7, SERIES OF 2004-2005, DATED 29 JUNE 2005".

Section 8. A Letter Authority addressed to the concerned mills/refineries allowing/authorizing the withdrawal of the "A" sugar as "B" shall be issued by the SRA.

Section 9. This Order shall take effect July 1, 2005.

Section 10. Provisions of Sugar Orders, Circular Letters, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with this Sugar Order are hereby revised, modified or revoked accordingly.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SUGAR BOARD:

AMES C. LEDESMA

Administrator

Encl: as stated