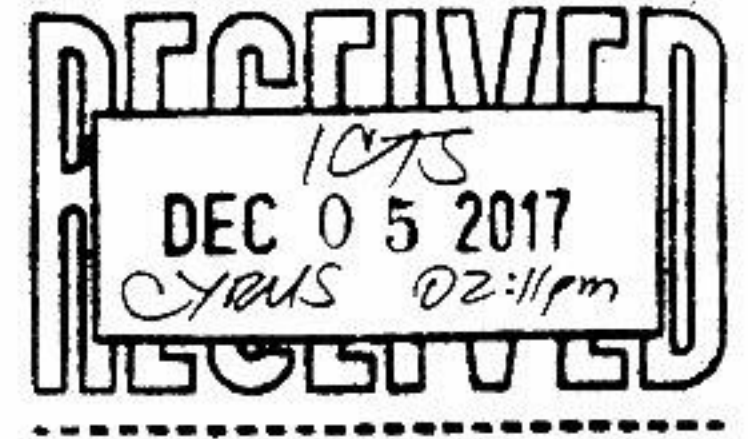




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**SUBJECT: AMENDING PARAGRAPH B OF DA ADMINISTRATIVE CIRCULAR NO. 08
SERIES OF 2017**

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Animal Industry-National Veterinary Quarantine Services Division (BAI-NVQSD) Local Shipping Permit Issuance System is a tool utilized for traceability and as a measure in terms of animal disease control, surveillance and in the implementation of food safety. With accurate movement records, the government is able to identify and contain disease-exposed animals, animal products and by-products more quickly which reduces the risk of disease spread;

WHEREAS, the Meat Inspection Certificate (MIC) issued by the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) attests to the fitness for human consumption of meat and that Section 29 (d) of the Republic Act No. 9268, otherwise known as the Philippine Veterinary Medicine Act of 2004, considers the act of "attesting to the fitness for human consumption of animal products and by-products";

NOW THEREFORE, I, EMMANUEL F. PIÑOL, Secretary of Agriculture, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby amend Paragraph b of DA Administrative Circular No. 08 Series of 2017 by requiring the issuance of BAI-NVQSD Shipping permit and MIC duly issued by a licensed veterinarian of the NMIS for poultry meat.

So Ordered.

EMMANUEL F. PIÑOL
Secretary

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