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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 02
Series of 2021

**SUBJECT : ADOPTION OF THE TESTING AND EVALUATION
ACCREDITATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TEAAC)
RESOLUTIONS FOR EVALUATION CRITERIA AND MINIMUM
REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF
CONFORMITY TO AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES
MACHINERY**

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10601, otherwise known as the Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization (AFMech) Law and its IRR stipulates that "*Sec. 18. Testing and Evaluation. Agricultural and fisheries machinery and equipment to be sold in the market shall pass through testing and evaluation by the Agricultural and Machinery Testing and Evaluation Center (AMTEC) in accordance with the national policies and guidelines to be promulgated by the Secretary. Specifically, before it can be assembled, manufactured and commercially sold in the market, the model of the machine and any modification, thereof should be tested by the AMTEC and should pass the prescribed quality and performance standards.*"

WHEREAS, pursuant to the AFMech Law of 2013, the Department of Agriculture (DA) issued the Department Circular (D.C.) No. 5, 2017 as amended by D.C. No. 10, Series of 2018 or "National Guidelines on Testing and Evaluation of Agricultural and Fisheries Machinery" and the D.C. No. 19, Series of 2018 also known as "National Guidelines on the Issuance of Certificate of Conformity for Agricultural and Fisheries Machinery" to provide information and guidance on the issuance of Certificate of Conformity (CC) which will ensure the conformance of agricultural and fisheries machinery to the Philippine National Standards/Philippine Agricultural Engineering Standards (PNS/PAES) or other relevant standards by the Bureau of Agricultural and Fisheries Engineering (BAFE).

WHEREAS, Section 4 of the D.C. No. 5, 2017 as amended by D.C. No. 10, Series of 2018 has created the Testing and Evaluation Accreditation Advisory Committee (TEAAC) to review and recommend the granting of the CC for agricultural and fisheries machinery.

WHEREAS, the TEAAC convened last November 24, 2020 to formulate the evaluation criteria and for the issuance of CC for agricultural and fisheries machinery and subsequently issued the TEAAC Resolution No.2, Series of 2020 "Recommending to the BAFE the Evaluation Criteria for the Issuance of Certificate of Conformity for Agricultural and Fisheries Machinery".

WHEREAS, the TEAAC will conduct series of meeting to formulate and update the evaluation criteria and for the issuance of CC for agricultural and fisheries machinery which will be reflected on the TEAAC Resolutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SECRETARY WILLIAM D. DAR of the Department of Agriculture in accordance with Republic Act No. 10601, also known as the Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization Law, hereby issue this Circular to adopt the TEAAC Resolutions which will recommend to BAFE the evaluation criteria for the issuance of Certificate of Conformity for agricultural and fisheries machinery.

Done this 26th day of FEBRUARY 2021.



WILLIAM D. DAR, PhD.

Secretary



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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