



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 1141
Series of 2022

SUBJECT: RECONSTITUTION OF THE PHILIPPINE GOOD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE (PhilGAPCC) MEMBERS

In the interest of the service and in order to implement the Philippine Good Agricultural Practices (PhilGAP) Certification of the Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI), pursuant to the provisions of Administrative Circular No. 01 Series of 2018 also known as the Rules and Regulation on the Certification of PhilGAP for Crops, superseding Administrative Circular No. 10 Series of 2013, the following personnel are hereby designated as members of the PhilGAP Certification Committee (PhilGAPCC):

- CHAIRMAN** : **HERMINIGILDA A. GABERTAN, PhD**
OIC-Assistant Director, Bureau of Plant Industry
- CO-CHAIRMAN** : **WILLIAM F. MUGOT**
OIC-Chief, Plant Product Safety Services Division (PPSSD)
- MEMBERS** : **CHRISTIAN ALLEN L. TALEON**
Assistant Division Chief for Policy and Operations, PPSSD

Alternates:

LENNIE T. MANIPON, *Supervising Agriculturist, PPSSD*
JULIE ANN A. ARAGONES, *Senior Agriculturist, PPSSD*

SHEREENE R. SAMALA

OIC-Chief, National Plant Quarantine Services Division (NPQSD)

Alternates:

CARMELA B. RIVERA, *Senior Agriculturist, NPQSD*
MEA MIKKI B. TABAGO, *Agriculturist I, NPQSD*

RUEL C. GESMUNDO

Chief, National Seed Quality Services (NSQCS)

Alternates:

ELALIN T. TORIO, *Agricultural Center Chief II, NSQCS*
MARIA BELINDA N. CRUZ, *Senior Agriculturist, NSQCS*

As such, they shall perform the following functions:

1. After initial evaluation of applicants by the PhilGAP Inspectors, the PhilGAPCC shall undertake final evaluation and make appropriate recommendations to the BPI Director regarding the applications;
2. Endorse to the BPI Director the qualified applicants for certification;
3. Act on filed complaints about abuses in the production and sale of products that do not adhere to PhilGAP provisions, including the use of PhilGAP certified mark; review the reports of investigations, and make the appropriate recommendations to the BPI Director whether or not to revoke, or cancel a previously issued PhilGAP certificate;
4. Recommend to the BPI Director the list of qualified PhilGAP inspectors as identified and endorsed by the directors of the various agencies or by the Department of Agriculture Regional Field Offices (RFOs) for approval in the Office of the Secretary;
5. Undertake annual review of the program, set priorities and endorse the proposed strategic plan to the BPI Director for approval; and
6. Undertake annual review of the guidelines, inspection procedures and propose changes, when necessary.

In the event that a vacancy occur in the membership of PhilGAPCC, the qualified next-in-rank personnel shall assume responsibilities for the time being until an incumbent is assigned to the particular vacant office or position.

This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force unless revoked in writing. Special Order No. 562, Series of 2021 and other issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 14th of December 2022

DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN
Senior Undersecretary



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