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SPECIAL ORDER NO. <u>301</u> Series of 2024

SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND ATTEND THE BRIEFING ON THE FOOD SAFETY ACT OF 2013 AND ITS IMPLEMENTATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

In the interest of service, the Department of Agriculture Regional Field Office-MIMAROPA through the Regulatory Division is hereby authorized to conduct the Briefing on the Food Safety Act of 2013 and its implementation in the Department of Agriculture on April 24-25, 2024 in Romblon. The Food Safety Act of 2013 is a crucial piece of legislation that aims to ensure the safety and quality of food products in the Philippines. It outlines regulations and guidelines that must be followed by the Department of Agriculture and other stakeholders in the food industry. By implementing this act, the Department of Agriculture and the province of Romblon can contribute to the protection of public health, the prevention of foodborne illnesses, and the promotion of consumer confidence in the food industry.

The briefing aims to familiarize and update the DA and LGU implementers and other stakeholders on carrying out the objectives of RA 10611, which include ensuring the safety and quality of food products, promoting compliance with regulatory laws, and implementing best practices in the crops and livestock industries.

OFFICE	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
1. DA – Regional Office	6
2. DA-Office of the Assistant Secretary for Regulations	1
3. Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources	1
4. Bureau of Plant Industry	1
5. Bureau of Animal Industry	1
6. Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority	1
7. Provincial Agriculture Office	2
8. Municipal Agriculture Office	34
9. Office of Sangguniang Panlalawigan	1
10. Office of Sangguniang Bayan	17
TOTAL	65

The following are hereby authorized to participate in the activity:

Expenses incurred in the conduct of the activity such as venue rental, food, and accommodation shall be chargeable against DA-MIMAROPA, while the travel expenses and per diem of the participants shall be chargeable against their respective offices' funds, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This order shall take effect immediately and shall be considered revoked upon the completion of the activity. All orders and memoranda inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this _____ day of _____, 2024.

RANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL, JR. Secretary

