

## Republic of the Philippines

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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## SPECIAL ORDER

No. <u>307</u>

Series of 2024

**SUBJECT** 

CREATION OF THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP ON THE FORMULATION OF THE IMPLEMENTING RULES OF ARTICLE V SECTION 16 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10611, OTHERWISE

**KNOWN AS THE FOOD SAFETY ACT OF 2013** 

In the exigency of the service, and to effectively implement Article V Section 16 of Republic Act No. 10611, otherwise known as the Food Safety Act of 2013, a Technical Working Group (TWG) for the formulation of the guidelines on the enforcement of food safety standards and regulations for food in the primary and post-harvest stages of the food supply chain is hereby created and shall be composed of the following:

Chair:

**Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and Regulations** 

Vice Chair:

**Assistant Secretary for Policy and Regulations** 

**Members:** 

Director, Policy Research Service (PRS)

Representative, Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI)

Representative, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources

(BFAR)

Representative, Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI)

Representative, Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA)

Representative, National Dairy Authority (NDA)

Representative, National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) Representative, Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA) Representative, Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority (FPA)

Representative, Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards

(BAFS)

Representative, Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) Representative, Food Development Center (FDC)

Secretariat:

Food, Agriculture and Fisheries Policy Division (FAFPD), DA-PRS

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy and Regulations

## The TWG shall:

- 1. Facilitate the formulation of the guidelines to implement Article V Section 16 of the Food Safety Act with respect to the authority of the Department to enforce food safety standards and regulations;
- 2. Oversee the conduct of public consultations and other activities for the formulation of the guidelines;
- 3. Endorse to the Secretary the final draft of the guidelines for approval; and,
- 4. Conduct other activities in support of the preparation, finalization, and approval of the guidelines.

All expenses to be incurred by the TWG in the performance of their duties and functions shall be charged against DA OSEC funds, subject to the existing government accounting and auditing laws, rules, and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All orders, memoranda, and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby deemed revoked.

Done this 1st day of March 2024.

FRANCISCO TIU LAUREL, JR.

Secretary

