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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 309

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SUBJECT

CREATION OF THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP FOR THE

AMENDMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE CIRCULAR NO. 1, SERIES OF

2021

In the exigency of the service, a Technical Working Group (TWG) for the amendment of Administrative Circular (AC) No. 1, s. 2021 "Mandatory Accreditation of Cold Storage Warehouses for Agricultural and Fishery Products", is hereby created and shall be composed of the following:

Chair:

Paz J. Benavidez II

Assistant Secretary for Regulations

Co-Chair:

Noel A. Padre

Assistant Secretary for Policy Research and

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Alternate Co-Chair:

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The TWG shall:

- 1. Identify the key issues and gaps in the implementation of AC No. 1, s. 2021;
- 2. Prepare and provide technical inputs and comments to the working draft of the issuance amending AC No. 1, s. 2021;
- 3. Conduct meetingS and other activities to facilitate the drafting of the proposed amendments;
- 4. Solicit the inputs and comments of relevant stakeholders through public consultations for consideration in the finalization of the draft issuance;
- 5. Facilitate the finalization of the draft issuance, including the conduct of legal review as may be necessary; and,
- 6. Endorse the final draft of the revised Circular to the Undersecretary for Policy, Planning, and Regulation and the Secretary for approval.

All expenses to be incurred by the TWG in the performance of their duties and function 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 P. TIU LAUREL, JR.

Secretary

