

**National Organic Agriculture Board Resolution No. 010
Series of 2012**

RESOLUTION FOR THE FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDE AUTHORITY (FPA), NATIONAL SEED INDUSTRY COUNCIL (NSIC) UNDER THE BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY (BPI), BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY (BAI), AND BUREAU OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES (BFAR) TO HARMONIZE THEIR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR ORGANIC AGRICULTURE PRODUCTS AND INPUTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE IRR FOR RA 10068

WHEREAS, the Organic Agriculture Act of 2010 (RA 10068) provides in Section 16 that all organic food and input establishments must register with the director of BAFPS;

WHEREAS, Rule 16.2 provides:

Rule 16.2 All organic input suppliers shall register with the BAFPS within sixty (60) days after effectivity of this IRR, without prejudice to their compliance with the policies and guidelines (i.e. licensing, product testing, etc.) of concerned competent regulatory agencies.

WHEREAS, Rule 16.3 provides:

The registration of organic products and inputs which are currently with the Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority (FPA) shall continue to be valid until the expiration of said license. Thereafter, registration of such products shall be done by BAFPS.

WHEREAS, Rule 16.4 provides:

All organic seeds and planting materials which are currently registered in the National Seed Certification Board/Bureau of Plant Industry shall be re-evaluated by the BAFPS, consistent with the provisions of this Act and the PNS. However, these products and inputs shall continue to be valid until the expiration its license. Thereafter, registration of such products shall be done by BAFPS.

WHEREAS, Rule 16.5 provides:

All organic livestock, poultry and aquaculture stocks which are currently registered with the BAI and the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources mandated to give licenses and accreditation shall be re-evaluated by the BAFPS, consistent with the provisions of this Act and the PNS. However, these products and inputs shall continue to be valid until the

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expiration its license. Thereafter, registration of such products shall be done by BAFPS.

WHEREAS, Rule 16.6 provides:

The **FPA, NSIC** under the **BPI, BAI and BFAR** shall review and recast their licensing requirements and procedures for OA products and inputs, to be consistent with the provisions of this Act. The DA and the Food and Drug administration (FDA), however, shall draft their own joint guidelines on the regulation of "processed organic food."

WHEREAS, there is a need to streamline and standardize the registration and licensing process for organic products;

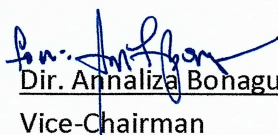
NOW, THEREFORE, the Board hereby **RESOLVES**

1. **INSTRUCT** the FPA, NSIC under the BPI, BAI and BFAR to review and recast their licensing requirements and procedures for OA products.
2. **INVITE** the FDA to draft together with DA the joint guidelines and regulation of "processed organic food."


BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER; furnish the office of Secretary Proceso J. Alcala, the directors of FPA, BPI, BAI, BFAR and the Administrator of FDA a copy of this resolution.

APPROVED by the following members of the Board during the 7th regular monthly meeting of the board on 7 February 2012:


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