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CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 16
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SUBJECT: GUIDELINES ON THE "B" SUGAR REPLACEMENT

PROGRAM UNDER SECTION 8 OF SUGAR ORDER NO. 4,

SERIES OF 2015-16

Pursuant to Sugar Order No. 4 (SO No. 4), Series of 2015-2016, dated 08 December 2015, on the abovementioned subject, hereunder are the Guidelines on the "B" Sugar Replacement Program, to wit:

1. Issuance of Clearance for the Release of Imported Sugar for Imported Replacement Sugar

- a. Only exporters that exported "B" sugar to the U.S. Sugar Quota under SO No. 4, Series of 2015-16 shall be issued Clearance for the Release of Imported Sugar for their imported replacement sugar.
 - a.1. The Clearance for the Release of Imported Sugar shall be issued upon application and submission of the requirements by the exporter with SRA Regulation Department, Quezon City. SRA shall not accept any application for issuance of Clearance for the Release of Imported Sugar with incomplete requirements. The requirements for issuance of the Clearance for the Release of Imported Sugar are enumerated in paragraph 6(a)(i) of this Circular
 - a.2. The Clearance for the Release of the Imported Sugar shall indicate the classification of the imported replacement sugar as "C" or Reserved sugar.
- b. The issuance of Clearance for the Release of Imported Sugar shall be subject to the applicable fees, liens or charges of SRA.
- c. Imported replacement sugar may either be in raw form or raw basis (refined sugar), subject to the replacement ratio in paragraph 5(b) of this Circular.

2. Arrival of the Replacement Sugar

a. The replacement sugar must arrive after the actual export/shipment of "B" sugar to the U.S. but before the end of Crop Year 2015-2016. Provided, that, replacement sugar imported before the actual export/shipment of the "B" sugar to the U.S. shall be subject to the penalty that the Sugar Board shall impose. As used in this Circular, actual export/shipment shall mean departure of the vessel from the last load port in the Philippines evidenced by the Outward Foreign Manifest issued by the Bureau of Customs.