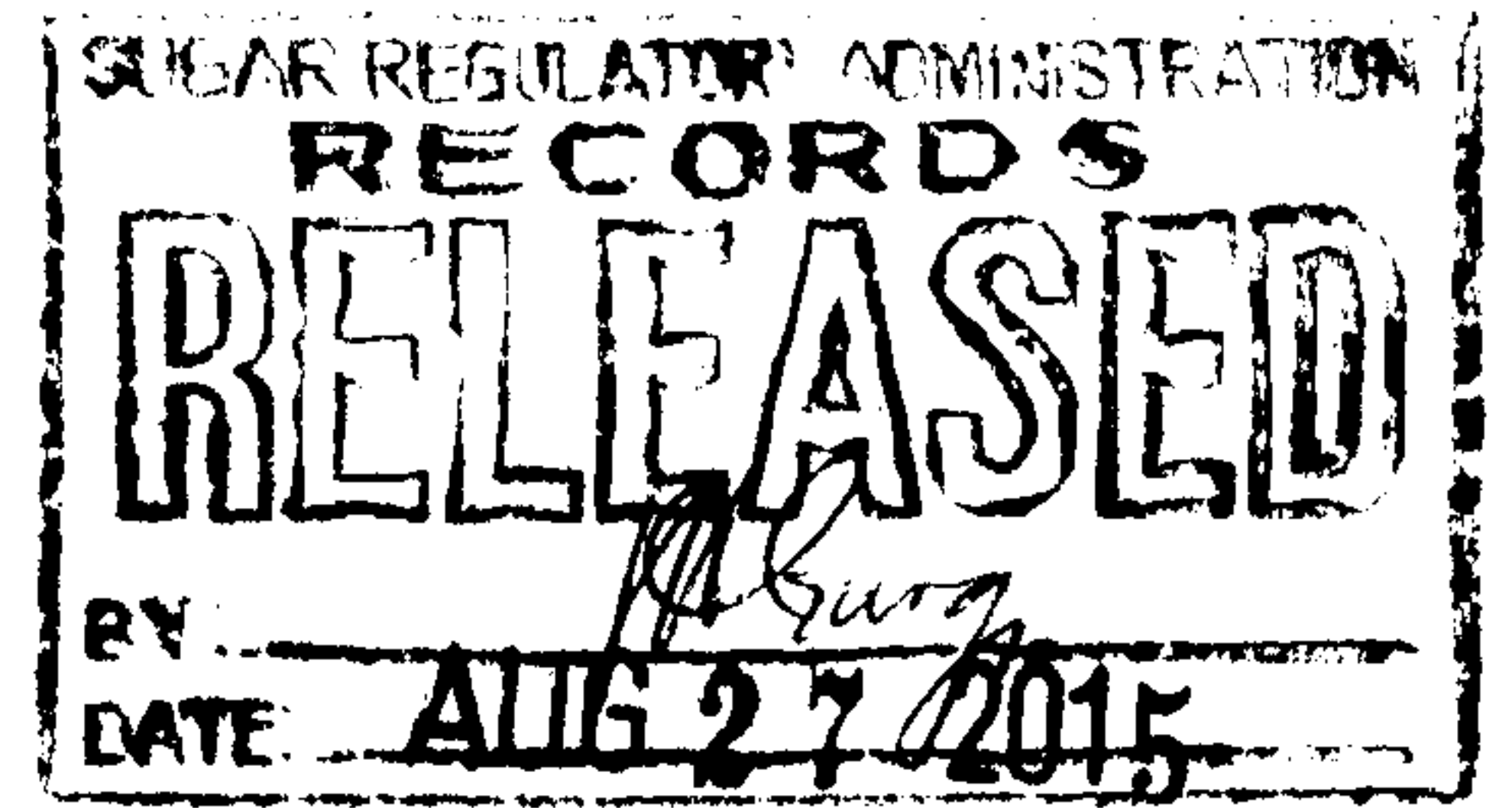




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SUGAR ORDER NO. 1
Series of 2015 - 2016

SUBJECT : SUGAR POLICY FOR CROP YEAR 2015 - 2016

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 18, dated 28 May 1986, vested the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA) with the power to establish and maintain a balanced relationship between sugar production and the requirements of sugar and to maintain such marketing conditions as will ensure stabilized prices at levels reasonably profitable to the producers and fair to consumers;

WHEREAS, domestic withdrawal is estimated to be more or less 2.25 Million Metric Tons this Crop Year 2015-2016;

WHEREAS, due to the unfavorable weather conditions and reduction of sugarcane areas, the total raw sugar production for Crop Year 2015-2016 is estimated at 2.27 Million Metric Tons;

WHEREAS, the SRA is mandated to institute measures and ensure the stability in "B" or domestic sugar supply;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers vested in the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA), it is hereby ordered that:

Section 1. Production and Classes of Sugar - Sugar production for the Crop Year 2015-2016 (September 01, 2015 to August 31, 2016) is expected to be 2.27 Million Metric Tons and shall be quedanned by the mill companies, as implementors of this Sugar Order, in the following percentage:

"B" or Domestic Sugar Market - 100%

Section 2. Issuance of Quedan-Permits/Molasses Storage Certificates

As a general rule, except as hereinafter provided, sugar mill companies shall issue weekly sugar quedan-permits/molasses storage certificates in the name of the individual planter or mill companies for their corresponding shares of sugar and molasses production for the Crop Year 2015-2016.

In case of "B" sugar, however, where a planter has expressly authorized the mill company in writing or has executed a production/marketing agreement in favor of his association/cooperative which agreement provides for the consolidation of his weekly sugar/molasses production in the name of the association/cooperative, mill company concerned shall issue consolidated weekly sugar quedan-permits/molasses storage certificates in the name of the association/cooperative with an attached listing of the planters and their corresponding production covered by said sugar quedan-permits/molasses storage certificates.



Section 3. Periodic Assessments, Percentage Adjustment. The SRA shall undertake periodic assessment of the Crop Year 2015-2016 sugar production and withdrawal trend and on the basis of such assessment, it may from time to time adjust the percentage distribution of the different classes of sugar as provided in this Sugar order and/or take the necessary action to address the situation.

Section 4. Non-revalidation of Unused Quedan Permit Forms. Pursuant to Section 6, Sugar Order No. 1, Series of 1995-1996, dated 01 September 1995, it is hereby reiterated that this Crop Year 2015-2016, and thereafter, all unused sugar quedan-permit forms of the previous crop year shall no longer be allowed for revalidation.

Section 5. Effectivity Clause. This Sugar Order shall take effect on September 1, 2015.

Section 6. Repealing Clause. All provisions of Sugar Orders, Circular Letters, rules and regulations inconsistent with or contrary to this Sugar Order are hereby amended, modified or revoked accordingly.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SUGAR BOARD:



MA. REGINA BAUTISTA-MARTIN
Administrator