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BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 185
Series of 2013

SUBJECT: GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM SPECIFIC MEASURES OF REGULATORY CONTROL REQUIREMENTS TO CERTAIN FINISHED PRODUCTS OF GE PHILIPPINES, INC.

WHEREAS, under Section 81 (b) and (r) of Article IX of RA 9165, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002, the Board issued Board Regulation No. 3, Series of 2003 which provides for the “Comprehensive Guidelines on Importation, Distribution, Manufacture, Prescription, Dispensing and Sale of, and Other Lawful Acts in Connection with any Dangerous Drugs, Controlled Precursors and Essential Chemicals and other Similar or Analogous Substances”;

WHEREAS, GE PHILIPPINES, INC. with business address at 8TH & 9TH Flr, Net Cube Center, 3rd Ave. Cor.30th St. E-Square Crescent Park West, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, Philippines is seeking exemption from regulatory measures for the following products listed hereunder, to wit:

1. **NOVUS CE 2680 – 0.0038% Sulfuric Acid (H₂SO₄)**
2. **NOVUS CE 2654 – 0.0088% Sulfuric Acid (H₂SO₄)**
3. **PETROFLO 20Y14 – 0.0075% Toluene**
4. **PETROFLO 20Y77 – 0.0046% Toluene**
5. **PETROFLO 20Y98 – 0.0075% Toluene**
6. **PETROFLO 20Y3416 – 0.0059% Toluene**

WHEREAS, Section 4(2-c, d, e & f), Article II of the same Regulation also provides that the Board may exempt from specific measures of regulatory control requirements any preparation containing a controlled chemical mixture, when the Table II chemical is a normal ingredient in consumer goods or finished products that were packaged for retail sale for personal use, such as epoxies, vinyl lacquer, contact cements, plastic adhesives, waxes, cleaning agents; or liquid chemical mixture containing less than 30% by weight of the Table II chemical; or solid, semisolid and highly viscous chemical mixture containing Table II chemical; or when the Board is satisfied that the mixture is formulated in such a way that the controlled chemical cannot be easily used for the illicit manufacture of a dangerous drug and that the controlled chemical or chemicals contained in the mixture cannot be readily recovered;

WHEREAS, to assist the Board in evaluating requests for exemption, it promulgated Board Resolution No.1 Series of 2008 entitled “**Creating a Technical Working Group (TWG) to assist the Board in considering request of Manufacturers and Importers of finished products from specific measures of regulatory control requirements**”;

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the DDB Technical Working Group (TWG) that **GE PHILIPPINES, INC.** is a diversified global infrastructure, finance and

media company that is built to meet essential world needs. From energy, water, transportation and health access to money and information. GE serves customers in more than 100 countries. GE in the Philippines installed the first electric streetlights along Real St. in Manila and employs 300,000 people worldwide. GE is duly registered with PDEA and holder of **P5I-02938001-R021 dated 1/23/2013 and valid until 1/24/2014** License as importer /distributor of controlled chemicals;

WHEREAS, after due deliberation and evaluation, the TWG decided to recommend to the Board the exemption of **GE PHILIPPINES, INC.** products containing controlled chemicals below the 30% threshold of the Table II chemicals, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-2(c, d, e & f);

WHEREAS, after satisfying the requirements under the above mentioned regulations, unless revoked, **GE PHILIPPINES, INC.** products are no longer covered by the provisions of Section 10 (Application for import, export or transit permits), Section 11 (Grant of import, export or transit permits), and Section 22 (Licensed operators NOT to deal with unlicensed operators) of BR No.3, S. 2003.

WHEREFORE, be it **RESOLVED**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**:

- a. **TO GRANT EXEMPTION** and the issuance of a Certificate of Exemption, which shall be valid for one (1) year unless revoked, **GE PHILIPPINES, INC'** products that contain controlled chemicals below the 30% threshold of the Table II chemicals, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-2(d & f).
- b. **That the above cited exemptions shall still be subject to the following conditions:**
 - (1) The **GE PHILIPPINES, INC.** shall secure a license from the PDEA and comply with the reporting requirements as provided for in Board Regulation No. 3, Series of 2003;
 - (2) The Board shall strictly monitor subject finished product from their importation to distribution to end-users;
 - (3) The DDB-PDEA Monitoring Team shall have free access to **GE PHILIPPINES, INC.** premises where the finished products are kept and/or used;
 - (4) The **GE PHILIPPINES, INC.** shall assume full responsibility for any misuse of the imported finished product, caused either by its own negligence or by negligence of all persons acting under their name or control and supervision; and
 - (5) Any violation of the provisions of Board Regulation No. 3, Series of 2003, shall be a ground for the revocation of the certificate of exemption at anytime and would be dealt with severely.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 11th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, 2013 in Quezon City.

(Sgd) **Secretary ANTONIO A. VILLAR, JR.**
Chairman, Dangerous Drugs Board

Attested:

(Sgd) **JOSE MARLOWE S. PEDREGOSA**
UNDERSECRETARY-Executive Director
Secretary of the Board

