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BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 60
Series of 2013

SUBJECT: GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM SPECIFIC MEASURES OF REGULATORY CONTROL REQUIREMENTS TO CERTAIN FINISHED PRODUCTS OF HOYA LENS MANUFACTURING PHILIPPINES INC. (CAVITE BRANCH)

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, HOYA LENS MANUFACTURING PHILIPPINES INC. - Cavite with business address at SEPZ, Gateway Business Park, Javalera, Gen. Trias, Cavite City, Philippines is seeking exemption from specific measures of regulatory control requirements for the following products that contain controlled chemicals:

1. 1mol/1 Hydrochloric Acid – 3.6% Hydrochloric Acid (HCL)
2. G17N Kony Bond – 10 – 20% Acetone
3. AK1300 – 7% Butanone (MEK); 30% Toluene
4. PARASITE HP 1- 1% Methyl Ethyl Ketone (MEK)
5. PARASITE HP 2 – 1% Methyl Ethyl Ketone (MEK)
6. 3M NOVEC™ Fluorosurfactant FC-4432 – 1% Toluene
7. DOW CORNING TORAY FZ-2164 – 1% Toluene
8. DOW CORNING TORAY L7604 – 1% Toluene
9. 2mol/1 Hydrochloric Acid (2N) - 7.1% Hydrochloric Acid (HCL)

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 **Hoya Lens Manufacturing Phils. Inc.** was formerly known as Philippine Epson Optical Inc., a manufacturer of high index ophthalmic lens. It changed its name and ownership to Hoya Lens effective February 1, 2013 and will start its normal operation both in Cavite and Laguna branches on the same date using the same process, equipment, facilities as well as the man power force.

WHEREAS, after due deliberation and evaluation, the TWG decided to recommend to the Board the exemption of Hoya Lens Manufacturing Phils ' products that contained controlled chemicals less than the 30% threshold of the Table II chemicals, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-2(d);

WHEREAS, the DDB Technical Working Group (TWG) upon deliberation opined that **HOYA LENS MANUFACTURING PHILIPPINES INC. - Cavite** products containing controlled chemical above the 30% threshold can be given exemption due to having satisfied the conditions as provided for in Section 4-2(f);

WHEREAS, after satisfying the requirements stipulated under the above mentioned regulations, **HOYA LENS MANUFACTURING PHILIPPINES INC. - Cavite products are no longer covered by the provisions of Section 10 (Application for import, export or transit permits), and Section 11 (Grant of import, export or transit permits), of BR No.3, S. 2003.**

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

TO GRANT EXEMPTION and the issuance of a Board Resolution of Exemption, which shall be valid for one (1) year unless revoked, to **HOYA LENS MANUFACTURING PHILIPPINES INC.-Cavite'** ' above -mentioned products that contain controlled chemicals below the 30% threshold of the Table II chemical, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-2(d).

- a. That the above cited exemption shall still be subject to the following conditions:
 - (1) **That HOYA LENS MANUFACTURING PHILIPPINES INC. - Cavite shall secure license from 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 products/chemicals from their importation to end-user;
 - (3) The DDB-PDEA Monitoring Team shall have free access to HOYA LENS MANUFACTURING PHILIPPINES INC. - Cavite premises where the products/chemicals are kept and/or used;
 - (4) That HOYA LENS MANUFACTURING PHILIPPINES INC. - Cavite shall assume full responsibility for any misuse of the imported products/chemicals, 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 Board Resolution on exemption at anytime and would be dealt with severely.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 17th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, 2013 in Quezon City.

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

Attested:

(Sgd) **Assistant Secretary AMADOR S. PABUSTAN**
OIC-Secretary of the Board