




Philippine Economic Zone Authority

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FOR : Economic Zone Locator Enterprises
Economic Zone Administrators and Managers

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SUBJECT : Guidelines in the movement of locally purchased chemicals into the economic zones

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This is in connection with the requirements of regulatory agencies to secure permits for the purchase, transport and use of certain chemicals. Regulated chemicals and goods require permits and/ or licenses from concerned agencies before these are transported into the economic zones. As stated in PEZA Memorandum Order 2013-005 and for clarity, we wish to recommend and reiterate to our locators the following:

1. Regulated chemicals are defined as substances containing any of the following components at any concentration / amount:

- NOT listed in the Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS);
- Included in the Priority Chemical List (PCL) or Chemical Control Order (CCO);
- Considered as Controlled Precursor & Essential Chemicals (CPECs); and,
- Considered as an Explosive Ingredients.

2. Regulated goods are finished products (i.e. lead acid batteries, paints, adhesives, industrial solvents, cleaning agents, catalysts) that may contain a regulated chemical as described above and may be subject to additional regulations.

3. Role of PEZA in the movement of locally purchased chemicals into the economic zones

The PEZA Zone Offices may conduct random check of the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) of locally purchased chemicals and its corresponding delivery receipt and request for a copy of the appropriate permits whenever applicable.

The PEZA Environment, which refers to the Environmental Health and Safety Division (EHSD) at the public economic zones and the Environmental Safety Group (ESG) at the Head Office shall, during annual compliance monitoring, check if chemicals (whether locally purchased or imported) have appropriate permits from concerned regulatory agencies.

Appropriate sanctions shall be imposed by PEZA on flagrant violations of permit and /or license requirements of concerned government agencies.

4. Role of locator enterprises in the movement of locally purchased chemicals into the economic zones

Effective immediately, locator enterprises are enjoined to evaluate the MSDS of locally purchased chemicals. The PEZA-registered enterprises shall be responsible for ensuring that appropriate permits are secured prior to purchase of regulated chemicals or regulated goods from their local suppliers.

