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To: All Traders, Declaring Agents and End-Users

Dear Sir / Madam,

UPDATE ON REGULATORY AUTHORITY AND CONTROL MEASURES FOR 7 SUBSTANCES IN SINGAPORE

Currently, the following 7 substances are jointly controlled by the Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF) and the National Environment Agency (NEA). As part of ongoing efforts to streamline regulatory requirements, these 7 substances will only be controlled by SCDF under the Fire Safety Act and its Regulations with effect from 1 July 2020 and they are:

1. 2,2 – Azobis (2-Methylbutyronitrile)
2. Azobis (Dimethylvaleronitrile)
3. Azobis (Isobutyronitrile)
4. Ethyl Isocyanate
5. Isopropyl Isocyanate
6. Methoxymethyl Isocyanate
7. Isobutyl Isocyanate

Licensing Requirements

2 Companies importing, storing, transporting and conveyance by pipeline for these 7 substances above SCDF's exemption quantities are required to obtain the relevant Petroleum and Flammable Licence(s) from SCDF. All application procedures remain unchanged.

3 Companies are no longer required to obtain a Hazardous Substances Licence/Permit from NEA prior to the import, export, sale, manufacture, transportation, storage and/or use of these 7 substances, under the Environmental Protection and Management Act and its Regulations.

Import Permit Application

4 Prior to applying for an import permit application in the TradeNet system, importers are required to obtain the necessary Import and Storage licences from SCDF. NEA product codes are no longer required for import permit application of these 7 substances.

5 For the import permit application of controlled substances **above SCDF exemption quantities**, all traders and declaring agents are required to declare only SCDF product codes. Please refer to **Table 1** of the ANNEX for SCDF exemption quantities and the product codes to be used in the import permit application.

6 For the import permit application of controlled substances **below SCDF exemption quantities**, all traders and declaring agents are also required to declare only SCDF product codes. Please refer to **Table 2** of the ANNEX for SCDF exemption quantities and the product codes to be used in the import permit application.

7 For traders and declaring agents who declare below SCDF exemption quantities, they are required to comply with fire safety requirements for the storage of these 7 substances even though a SCDF storage licence is not required.

Export Permit Application

8 SCDF does not have licensing requirements for the export of these 7 substances, hence SCDF (import and storage) licences and product codes are not required to be declared in export permit application. NEA product codes are no longer required for export permit application of these 7 substances.

9 Should you have any enquiries, please contact:

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ANNEX

Table 1: SCDF Product Codes for Import Application of Controlled Substances **Above SCDF Exemption Quantity:**

S/N	Controlled Substances	SCDF Exemption Qty (Gross Weight)	HS Code	SCDF Product Code
1	Ethyl isocyanate	20 litres	29291090	SCDEIC2481L1
2	Isobutyl isocyanate	20 litres	29291090	SCDIBI2486L1
3	Isopropyl isocyanate	20 litres	29291090	SCDIPI2483L1
4	Methoxymethyl isocyanate	20 litres	29291090	SCDMMI2605L1
5	Azodi (methylbutyronitrile) / 2,2'-Azobis(2-methylbutyronitrile)	3kg	29270090	SCDAMB3030S2
6	Azobis (dimethylvaleronitrile) / 2,2'-Azobis(2,4-dimethylvaleronitrile)	3 kg	29270090	SCDADV3236S2
7	Azobis (methylpropionitrile), Azobis-isobutyronitrile / 2,2'-Azobis(isobutyronitrile)	3 kg	29270090	SCDAMP2952S2

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Table 2: SCDF Product Codes for Import Application of Controlled Substances **Below SCDF Exemption Quantity:**

S/N	Controlled Substances	SCDF Exemption Qty (Gross Weight)	HS Code	SCDF Product Code
1	Ethyl isocyanate	20 litres	29291090	SCDFMLAMISC
2	Isobutyl isocyanate	20 litres	29291090	SCDFMLAMISC
3	Isopropyl isocyanate	20 litres	29291090	SCDFMLAMISC
4	Methoxymethyl isocyanate	20 litres	29291090	SCDFMLAMISC
5	Azodi (methylbutyronitrile) / 2,2'-Azobis(2-methylbutyronitrile)	3 kg	29270090	SCDFMSMISC
6	Azobis (dimethylvaleronitrile) / 2,2'-Azobis(2,4-dimethylvaleronitrile)	3 kg	29270090	SCDFMSMISC
7	Azobis (methylpropionitrile), Azobis- isobutyronitrile / 2,2'- Azobis(isobutyronitrile)	3 kg	29270090	SCDFMSMISC