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MEMORANDUM

To: **ALL TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPERS**

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Subject: **Procedure for Listing of Stacked Traits in the Approval Registry for Propagation and Approval Registry for Direct Use**

This is to inform you that the new DOST-DA-DENR-DOH-DILG Joint Department Circular No. 1, series of 2021 (JDC No. 1, s2021) is in effect as of March 23, 2022. This circular contains a new directive for genetically modified plants and plant products with stacked events produced through conventional breeding.

The relevant sections read as follows:

Section 21. Listing in the BPI Approval Registry for Propagation.

Stacked events may be listed in the BPI Approval Registry for Propagation only if each parental event has a Biosafety Permit for Commercial Propagation. The permit holder or an authorized licensee of registered events may also request the BPI for the listing of any sub-stacks or intermediate stacks.

Section 22. Listing in the BPI Approval Registry for Direct Use.

Stacked events may be listed in the BPI Approval Registry for Direct Use only if each parental event has a Biosafety Permit for Direct Use. The permit holder or an authorized licensee of registered events may also request the BPI for the listing of any sub-stacks or intermediate stacks.

In line with this, the BPI Biotechnology Office shall enjoin technology developers to register their stacked trait products through submission of official communication or forms. After verification of the validity of the Biosafety Permits of the component single events, the stacked events shall then be listed in the approval registry.

