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To all food importers

All declaring agents are requested to inform the importers on the contents of the circular.

Dear Sirs

- A) SUSPENSION OF "SIGNWIN" BRAND JAM, JELLY AND PUDDING FROM TAIWAN
- B) SUSPENSION OF FRUIT JUICE CONCENTRATES MANUFACTURED BY "CHEN EN FOOD PRODUCT ENTERPRISE CO" AND "FENG SHENG FOOD COMPANY" FROM TAIWAN
- C) HOLD AND TEST OF CERTAIN FOOD PRODUCTS IMPORTED FROM TAIWAN

Please refer to our circulars dated 3 and 7 June 2011.

- 2 In view of the (i) detection of DEHP contamination by Taiwan's Department of Health in "Signwin" brand of jam and jelly, and (ii) detection of DEHP contamination by AVA in "Signwin" brand pudding, and fruit juice concentrates produced by the Taiwanese manufacturers, "Chen En Food Product Enterprise Co" and "Feng Sheng Food Company", AVA has suspended the import of these products from Taiwan, and instructed the importers of such products to remove them from the market and withhold them from sale immediately.
- 3 The above is in addition to AVA's earlier suspension of import of "Sunlight" brand of beverages, and "Jin Guo Wan", "Possmei" and "Tachungo" brands of fruit juice concentrates, following the detection of DEHP contamination.
- 4 AVA is also stepping up on the sampling of certain food products from Taiwan. All consignments of fruit juices, energy drinks, tea beverages, jam and jelly will be subjected to hold-and-test with immediate effect until further notice. Sale or distribution is not allowed until approval by AVA. In view of the hold-and-test, all import declarations for these products will be routed for online approval. Other products may still be sampled for testing by AVA.
- 5 AVA inspectors will be contacting you to collect samples for testing purpose. You may also contact our inspectors at the following numbers to arrange for inspection or if you require further clarification. Thank you.

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Yours faithfully

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