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Regulation On the Registration of Product and Goods

- Based on the Prime Minister's Decree No. 85/PM, date 02 November 1995 on the Management of Products and Goods.
- Based on requirements on promotion and facilitation for domestic production in improving of quality and standards of product to be able competition at the domestic and foreign market.
- Needs to revise some articles of the regulation on the registration of products and goods No. 228/STEA, dated 14/2/1996 which are no longer suitable with present practice situation.

President of the Science Technology and Environment Agency regulates:

Section I General Requirement

Article 1. Purpose

Registration of product and goods is recognized a temporary quality of product while those products and goods do not have promulgated standard yet, in order to be improved the quality and toward formulating of national standard for those products and goods.

Article 2. Government organizations, communities, private (hereafter call organization) and person producing products and goods, which those products are not yet formulating the standard, (the organization) have the intention to improve the quality of its own products and toward formulating standard and using the national standards mark with those products, can submit an application for product registration to the Science Technology and Environment Agency.

Article 3. Organizations and person who has submitted an application for product registration will be granted a temporary quality certificate, will be (protected) and assisted from the Standards Management Body for improving the quality and formulating standard for those products.

Article 4. The Standards Management Body will receive and consider for registration of products produced from factories in Lao PDR.

Section II

Rule (Codes) for Registration of Product and Goods

Article 5. The Organizations and person who producing needs to register products and goods, shall submit an application to Standards Management Body, cost for each quality testing will refer to actual cost for testing of relevant testing laboratory which consist of information and documents (accordance to the form of Standards Management Body):

- 1. Detail list of products and goods for registration (Trade name, type...),
- 2. Detail of production process,
- 3. Source of raw materials,
- 4. Detail of cost production,
- 5. Sale price,
- 6. References documents or application standards,
- 7. Evidences of quality certification or results of test,
- 8. Domestic branch production,
- 9. Target consumer and distribution plan,
- 10. Copies of documents for establishment of factory.

Article 6. Product quality registration consists of the following procedures:

- 1. Examine documents, if observed that are meeting the requirements, Standards Management Body will dispatch Technicians team to inspect at factory site.
- 2. The Standards Management Body will evaluate, register products and goods and dispatch Technicians team to collaborate with factory, instructing the improvement of nonconformities and toward formulating of standards for products and goods.

Article 7. Register on product and goods shall pay official fees and service charges are the following:

- 1. Application form5,000 kip
- 2. Collect information (at factory site) 15,000 kip
- 3. Temporary quality certificate50,000 kip
- 4. Cost for each quality testing; refer to actual testing cost of the relevant laboratory.

Section III

Principles for Consideration of Products and Goods Registration

Article 8. Principles for Consideration are consisting of the following:

- 1. Application for product registration.
- 2. Registrar explains and enquiry the information.

Article 9. Priorities for consideration of products and goods registration as follow:

- 1. Used domestic raw materials, high investment cost and other,
- 2. Products have granted a standard mark from foreign country or among foreign countries,
- 3. Other principles as below:
- Products have been produced, but do not have promulgation of (relevant) standard yet,
- Products are not in the type of vehicles or machinery,
- Products, to be competed with products from foreign countries,
- Technology production have been developed (applied in) industry,
- Production methods are appropriate and able to control quality more simplify and consistent,
- Product, can be determined standard,
- Having licenses for factory business activities.

Article 10. In case, products produced from more than two factories which are used the same trade mark applying for registration, shall inform the Standards Management Body on its name of factory produced those products.

Section IV Certification of Product and Goods Registration

Article 11. The Standards Management Body will grant a temporary quality certificate to an applicant, in case that applicant could complete conditions mentioned-above.

Article 12. When applicant terminating its business shall inform Standards Management Body within thirty (30) days before or after termination.

Article 13. In case, changed the location or transferred a certificate for products and goods registration to other person shall inform the Standards Management Body accepts before.

Article 14. Validation of a temporary quality certificate will end when:

- 1. Promulgated the standard for products,
- 2. Public complained about quality of products and goods,
- 3. Observed in the monitoring and inspection that the quality of those registered products and goods were not conform to (relevant) determined or against to other regulations on registration,
- 4. The holder registration was not producing, low volume production and no improving of quality after 2 years registration,
- 5. The holder registration was not cooperating on monitoring and inspecting or providing of information,

6. When changing or transferring of (owner factory) to other person was not inform to the Standards Management body.

Section V Implementation

Article 15. The Science Technology and Environment Agency is assigned to Department of Intellectual Property, Standardization and Metrology to drastically implement this regulation.

Article 16. This regulation enters into force from the date of its signature and other any regulations which are contrary to this regulation shall be cancelled.

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