

[SUGAR ORDER NO. 4, September 02, 2010]

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION AND COLLECTION OF SUGAR MONITORING AND ANTI-SMUGGLING FEE OF P1.00/LKG-BAG OF RAW SUGAR COVERED BY RAW SUGAR QUEDANS FOR CROP YEAR 2010-2011

WHEREAS, the prevalence of sugar smuggling poses a direct threat to the sugar industry and seriously endangers the livelihood of all Filipinos dependent on sugar production;

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the efforts of government against smuggling, it is apparent the sugar industry must develop its own concerted plan of action to combat smuggling and needs the private-sector Sugar Anti-Smuggling Organization (SASO) – which is attached and administered under the Sugar Master Plan Foundation, Inc. (SMPFI) to continue its sugar monitoring and anti-smuggling operations and therefore must be allocated funds exclusively for that purpose;

WHEREAS, industry leaders have requested the Sugar Regulatory Administration to supervise the collection of the voluntary contribution for sugar monitoring and anti-smuggling operations of SASO sourced from every LKg-bag of raw sugar covered by raw sugar quedans for this crop year 2010-2011;

WHEREAS, the SRA has in the past crop years managed the collection of sugar monitoring and anti-smuggling fee through Sugar Order No. 7-A, series of 2007-2008, and Sugar Order No. 5, series of 2009-2010;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in the Sugar Regulatory Administration, the following is hereby ordered:

SECTION 1. Collection of Sugar Monitoring and Anti-Smuggling Fee of P1.00/LKg-Bag. Sugar mills shall annotate and SRA Regulation Officer in mills shall collect from every raw sugar quedan the amount of ONE PESO (P1.00) per 50-kilo LKg bag of raw sugar produced by planters and mills who subscribe to support the sugar monitoring and anti-smuggling campaign of the sugar industry. The amount shall be collected upon withdrawal of the sugar from the mill warehouse.

The Sugar Regulatory Administration shall serve only to collect the fees, which shall be turned over to the Sugar Master Plan Foundation, Inc. The SMPFI shall act as the Trustee of the fund from the voluntary contributions. The SRA and SMPFI shall enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) covering, among others, the procedure of transfer of fees, accounting reports concerning the utilization of the fund, reports on anti-smuggling operations and activities financed from the fund.

SECTION 2. Voluntary Contribution of Sugar Monitoring and Anti- Smuggling Fee – The Sugar Monitoring and Anti-Smuggling Fee shall be voluntary and shall be collected only from planters and mills that want to support the anti-smuggling campaign of the sugar industry. Provider, however, in order to determine the total