[BFAD (DOH) MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 18, s. 1994, August 11, 1994]

ADDITIONAL LABELLING REQUIREMENT PRE-PACKAGED FOOD PRODUCTS

Administrative Order No. 88 B, s. 1964, provides for the rules and regulations governing the labelling of pre-packaged food products distributed in the Philippines. As defined therein Pre-packaged Foods are registrable food products that are packaged or made up in advance in container, ready for sale to the consumer. This includes processed, semi-processed or raw substances that are intended for human consumption, including beverages, chewing gum and any substance which has been used as an ingredient or a component in the manufacture, preparation or treatment of food.

In addition to the labelling requirements provided for under A.O. No. 88-B. s. 1984 it is now mandatorily required that the Food Registration Number (FR#) of prepackaged food products shall be displayed on the principal display panel of Its labels. This requirement is imposed to ensure the better monitoring of registered food products.

Tills circular shall take effect on October 31. 1994 for the guidance of all concerned.

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