

**[ SRA SUGAR ORDER NO. 7, SERIES OF 2007-2008, January 11, 2008 ]**

**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COLLECTION OF MONITORING FEE OF P1.00/LKG-BAG INSTEAD OF P2.00/LKG-BAG) OF RAW SUGAR COVERED BY RAW SUGAR QUEDANS**

WHEREAS; the Philippine sugar industry continues to be threatened by the influx of smuggled sugar and by technical smuggling/alleged misuse of "D" sugar allocations which have affected domestic supply and market prices;

WHEREAS, the industry has produced a continuing surplus over the last four (4) years and therefore needs to find markets for this surplus that are most favorable to the industry and its stakeholders;

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the industry finds ways to a) curtail sugar smuggling in all its forms, b) effectively exercise its regulatory functions through, among others, close monitoring of sugar movements and storage, and c) continue to find viable markets for its excess production;

WHEREAS, it is for the long term interest and benefit of the sugar industry that it monitor and properly evaluate U.S. and World Market developments affecting its viability;

WHEREAS, there is a need to set up an effective Sugar Monitoring and Anti-Smuggling" Program that will address the above-stated concerns;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to generate additional funds that will allow the industry to effectively pursue the above-stated activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, under and by virtue of the authority vested in the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA), the following is hereby ordered;

*SECTION 1. Revival of the implementation of the Monitoring - SERVICE FEE (P1.007 Lkg only) FOR RAW SUGAR.* The Monitoring Service Fee for all sugar covered by raw sugar quedans under General Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 2002-2003 dated February 20, 2003 is hereby revived and implemented but only for the amount of P1.00/ Lkg-bag. This P1.00/Lkg-bag fee shall be collected over and above all existing liens and fees;

*SECTION 2. Purposes.* The P1 00/Lkg Monitoring Service Fee shall fund under the Sugar Monitoring and Anti-Smuggling Program of the SRA and the sugar industry, inclusive of the expenses for Intelligence Consultant/s and Agents, additional Regulation Officers (contractual) assigned to monitor the movement and//or storage of sugar stocks, and consultants contracted to monitor and analyze U.S. and World Market sugar industry developments and promote/facilitate the continuity of the