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CLARIFICATORY GUIDELINES ON THE APPLICABLE CHARGES ON IMPORTED TRANSIT CARGOES

1. Authority

- 1.1 Sections 2f and 6a (iii) of P.D. 857
- 1.2 PPA Memorandum Order Nos. 20-83 and 20-83A
- 1.3 PPA Memorandum Circular No. 03-95

2. Scope

This Memorandum Circular shall cover the collection of applicable charges on imported transit cargoes passing thru several ports.

3. Objective

In order to further clarify the proper imposition of import/domestic wharfage and import/domestic storage on imported transit cargoes and the corresponding fee storage period applicable to said cargoes.

4. Clarifications

4.1 Imported Transit Cargo — refers to any article arriving at the port from a foreign port or place and destined for reshipment to another local port.

4.2 Imported transit cargoes shall be charged <u>import wharfage</u> at the port of entry and the corresponding <u>domestic wharfage</u> at each of the other way ports up to the final port of destination.

However, for the convenience of the owner or consignee, the <u>total</u> <u>wharfage</u> may be paid at the port of entry or the final port of destination, in which case, the amount collected shall be correspondingly credited to the other ports of call by the port making the collection.

4.3 Imported transit cargoes shall be allowed the five calendar day free storage period for import at the port of entry. At the other way ports, the same shall be allowed the free storage period of two (2) calendar days for domestic.

4.4 Imported transit cargoes staying beyond five (5) calendar days at the port of entry shall be subject to the storage charge for import. At the other way ports, said cargoes shall be subject to domestic storage if they stay at the port beyond two (2) calendar days.

5. Effectivity