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PALLETIZING AND STOCKPILING OF NON-CONTAINERIZED CARGOES AS PART OF REGULAR CARGO HANDLING SERVICES

There have been varied interpretations relative to palletizing and stockpiling or piling services as part of arrastre work being rendered in the receipt and delivery of cargoes from and to shipper's or consignee's transportation.

To ensure proper interpretation of the terms "Palletizing and Stockpiling or Piling of Cargoes" as commonly used in cargo handling services and in the terms and conditions of the tariff, and eliminate misunderstandings among cargo handling operators, shipping line owners, shippers and consignees, the following clarifications are hereby issued:

1. **SCOPE:** This Memorandum Circular shall cover arrastre and stevedoring services for non containerized cargoes in all ports with cargo handling contracts or hold-over permits issued by the Philippine Ports Authority.

2. **DEFINITION OF TERMS**:

2.1 Stockpiling or Piling of Cargoes — This refers to an activity where non-containerized cargoes are transferred and stored at PPA owned and designated open storage, shed or warehouse located inside the port prior to delivery or loading to vessel. This also includes piling or delivery of cargoes onto consignee's trucks.

This may also refer to piling of cargoes inside consignee's owned warehouse or storage outside of the operational area of the authorized cargo handling operator. This activity, however, is a special service which may be imposed a separate fee.

2.2 Palletizing of cargoes as used in item 9.7 of the terms and conditions of the cargo handling tariff, refers to an activity where breakbulk cargoes are placed on portable pallets prior to discharging or in receiving deliveries from shipper or in delivering cargoes onto consignee's transportation.

Palletizing of cargoes also refers to an activity where the cargo handler's services are engaged to place and strap cargoes on pallets, off dock, in order to comprise a unit load per pallet.

3. **CLARIFICATIONS:**