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The Philippines ban of BPA in infant feeding bottles and sippy cups

On August 9, 2019, the Food and Drug Administration of the Philippines issued a circular (FDA Circular No. 2019-004) banning the production, import and sale of baby bottles and sippy cups containing bisphenol A (BPA). This Circular shall take effect thirty (30) days after publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation and submission of a copy hereof to the Office of the National Registry of the University of the Philippines Law Center.



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TO : ALL CONCERNED STAKEHOLDERS AND PARTIES

SUBJECT: Ban of Bisphenol A (BPA) from Infant Feeding Bottles and Sippy Cups as Child Care Article Products

Bisphenol A (BPA) is an industrial chemical widely used in the production of plastics. Relevant epidemiological studies have shown that BPA affect the development of the nervous, immune and reproductive system and considered as endocrine disruptors which can alter the hormonal system of the human body. In 2008, Canada first proposed the prohibition of polycarbonate baby bottles that contains BPA which came into force in 2010. And in 2011, the European Union (EU) along with China are among the countries which banned the manufacture including the importation of PC baby bottles with BPA.

The Philippine government requires manufacturers, traders, importers, distributors or wholesalers to recall their products within six months to ensure that baby bottles and straw cups containing bisphenol A are removed from the market.



HCT SOLUTION:

Bisphenol A, as an important organic chemical raw material, widely exists in various plastics and coatings, especially in polycarbonate polymers and epoxy resins. Relevant food contact enterprises should actively improve the process, find BPA-Free alternative materials, and establish BPA control mechanism.

HCT Rainbow Testing is devoted to the detection of food contact materials and other consumer goods. It has rich BPA testing experience and helps enterprises to deal with various technical barriers.

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