19 October 2023

CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 192-2023

TO

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

ALL DEPUTY COMMISSIONERS

**ALL DIRECTORS AND DIVISION CHIEFS** 

ALL DISTRICT AND SUB-PORT COLLECTORS

**ALL OTHERS CONCERNED** 

SUBJECT

OPTICAL MEDIA BOARD (OMB) PROVISIONAL RECOGNITION

OF VALID AND EXISTING OMB LICENSES ISSUED TO CLARK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (CDC) LOCATORS AS VALID

**EXPORT PERMITS** 

Attached for your reference is the Optical Media Board (OMB) Board Resolution No. 23- 09-04 dated 14 September 2023 on the *Provisional Recognition of Valid and Existing OMB Licenses Issued to Clark Development Corporation Locators as Valid Export Permits*. Pursuant to the Resolution, OMB licenses that have been issued or will be issued hereafter to CDC Locators that are engaged in the business involving products regulated by the OMB, shall be considered for all intents and purposes as valid export permits. Further, it was provided that the Bureau is empowered and authorized to allow the export of OMB-regulated items upon presentation by the CDC Locators of their valid OMB License.

For records purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof.

For information and appropriate action.

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Commissione



## Republic of the Philippines OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OPTICAL MEDIA BOARD

## Board Resolution No. 23-09-04

## PROVISIONAL RECOGNITION OF VALID AND EXISTING OMB LICENSES ISSUED TO CLARK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LOCATORS AS VALID EXPORT PERMITS

WHEREAS, Section 13 of R.A. 9239 enumerates persons, establishments or entities that are required to register with and secure the appropriate licenses with the OMB, including but not limited to those engaged in the export of OMB regulated devices;

WHEREAS, the Board takes cognizance of R.A. No. 10032, also known as the Ease of Doing Business Act of 2018, and recognizes the need to further streamline the flow and processing time in delivering government services specifically to address export concerns, business demands and needs peculiar to CDC locators;

WHEREAS, the Anti-Red Tape Authority Advisory No. 01, Series of 2020, dated 25 March 2020, recommends the adoption of fast-track measures and tools to aid government agencies in simplifying and streamlining their respective procedures to speed up government service delivery;

WHEREAS, the Optical Media Board (OMB) aims to comply with the directives of RA 11032 and aid businesses engaged in OMB-regulated items to secure the necessary licenses and permits;

WHEREAS, some CDC locators are engaged in the export of storage devices and memory chips and their market demands require a quick turnaround of shipments from the time their clients place an order to the time it is actually shipped out;

WHEREAS, the OMB does not intend to stifle legitimate businesses and unduly delay export shipments of CDC locators due to processes required for issuance of OMB export permits;

WHEREAS, in view of the foregoing concerns, the Board has called for a special meeting to address the same and has adopted the following resolutions:

**RESOLVED** as it is hereby resolved, that OMB licenses that have been issued or will be issued hereafter to CDC Locators that are engaged in the business involving products regulated by the OMB, shall be considered for all intents and purposes as valid export permits;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that pursuant to the foregoing recognition of OMB Licenses granted to CDC Locators as valid export permits, the Bureau of Customs (BOC) is empowered and authorized to allow the export of OMB-regulated items upon presentation by the CDC Locators of their valid OMB License;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the OMB Officer-in-Charge shall formally communicate this matter with the BOC District Collector *via* correspondence and attaching this Board Resolution;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that despite the foregoing, CDC Locators shall continue to lodge their exportations on the OMB portal for weekly assessment, reconciliation, and payment of appropriate and relevant OMB fees;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that the recognition of OMB Licenses of CDC Locators as valid OMB Export Permits shall remain effective unless otherwise repealed, amended, or revoked by the OMB Board.

The foregoing Board Resolution is hereby passed and approved on 14 September 2023.

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