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Circular

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To all food businesses

All declaring agents are requested to inform the importers of the contents of this circular.

Dear Sir/Madam

FOOD (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2023

The Food (Amendment) Regulations 2023 will come into operation on 28 April 2023.

2 This set of amendments makes changes to the Food Regulations mainly to include provisions for maximum residue limits (MRLs) for residues of veterinary drugs in food. With effect from 28 April 2023, SFA will allow the import, manufacture and sale of food containing veterinary drug residues in accordance to the requirements in the new Regulation 33 and the new Eighteenth Schedule of the Food Regulations.

3 The food industry has been consulted via a public consultation exercise from 22 December 2022 to 20 February 2023. A summary of the comments received and SFA's response can be downloaded from:

http://www.sfa.gov.sg/food-information/public-consultation (Select "Proposed Amendments to Legislation", then click on

- "Response to comments received from public consultation on draft Food (Amendment No. Y) Regulations 2022 (Veterinary Drug Residues)")
- 4 The Food (Amendment) Regulations 2023 can be downloaded from: <u>http://www.sfa.gov.sg/legislation</u> (Select "Sale of Food Act 1973", then click on "Food (Amendment) Regulations 2023")

5 Please contact SFA through email (<u>mohd_naim_mohd_ayob@sfa.gov.sg</u>) should you need clarification on the amendments.

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