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FOR: All Food Establishments

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SUBJECT: SUBMISSION OF SAMPLES OF FOOD PRODUCTS FOR REGISTRATION PURPOSES

In line with the streamlining of food product registration requirements the Center for Food Regulation and Research (CFRR) of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) shall no longer require samples of the food products, except for food products classified or categorized as food supplements.

All labels and labeling materials together with the different designs and variations, including illustration of models, suggested recipes of products, including food supplements, shall be submitted as part of the requirements during the filing of applications. All labels and labeling requirements shall carry or be labeled with the same food manufacturer, trader or importer licensed by the FDA and the same product formulation or list of ingredients.

This Memorandum Circular shall be effective immediately.