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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**SUBJECT: EFFECTIVITY OF THE NEWLY APPROVED DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR NO. 01, SERIES OF 2021 – AMENDING RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR NO. 05 SERIES OF 2020 ENTITLED “GUIDELINES ON THE REGISTRATION OF ORGANIC BIO-CONTROL AGENTS (OBCA) PRODUCERS AND PRODUCTS”**

The Department Circular No. 01, Series of 2021 otherwise known as *Amending Relevant Provisions of the Department Circular No. 05 Series of 2020 entitled “Guidelines on the Registration of Organic Bio-Control Agents (OBCA) Producers and Products,”* has already been approved. Following its publication in Tempo on March 8, 2021 (Monday), **the Circular will take effect on March 24, 2021 (Wednesday) and will serve as basis for the registration of OBCA producers and products in BAFS.**

Salient points of DC No. 01 Series of 2021 are the following:

- 1. Removal of Provisional Product Registration Status.** The required number of efficacy trials shall be completed prior to the application for product registration. BAFS will only issue a Certificate of Product Registration (CPR), which is valid for 5 years.
- 2. Publication of efficacy trial terminal reports.** The publication will reduce the risks on inappropriate methods used or incorrect conclusions drawn, and make the data stronger and more reliable.

For information and ready reference. A copy of this Circular is available and downloadable at [www.bafs.da.gov.ph](http://www.bafs.da.gov.ph).

  
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