



## MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

**FOR :** WILLIAM D. DAR, Ph.D.  
Secretary

**FROM :** OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT :** REQUEST FOR APPROVAL AND ENDORSEMENT OF THE  
PHILIPPINE NATIONAL STANDARD (PNS) FOR THE  
ESTABLISHMENT AND APPLICATION OF MICROBIOLOGICAL  
CRITERIA RELATED TO FOOD

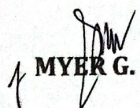
**DATE :** DECEMBER 14, 2020

The DA-Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards (BAFS) has developed the Philippine National Standards (PNS) for the establishment and Application of Microbiological Criteria related to Food. The developed standard covers the establishment and application of microbiological criteria that can be applied for food safety and other aspects of food hygiene at any point of the food chain.

The said standard was reviewed through a series of meetings and presented to a public consultation conducted physically at Quezon City and online through Cisco Webex Application with attendance from various stakeholders of the government, academe and private sector.

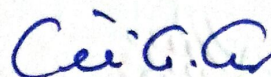
As a concluding step for the standards development process, we are submitting the developed draft standard for your approval and consequent endorsement to the Bureau of Philippine Standards (BPS) for appropriate numbering and inclusion in the PNS repository.

For your perusal, Sir.

  
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