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TO : THE GENERAL PUBLIC
ORGANIC BIO-CONTROL AGENT (OBCA) PRODUCERS
DA-BAFS CERTIFIED OBCA RESEARCHERS

FROM : OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT : EFFECTIVITY OF THE DA-BAFS MANUAL: REQUIREMENTS FOR
 THE CONDUCT OF EFFICACY TRIALS FOR OBCA PRODUCTS,
 SECOND EDITION

This is to inform the public that the *DA-BAFS Manual: Requirements for the Conduct of Efficacy Trials for OBCA Products, 2nd Edition*, herein referred to as the "DA-BAFS Manual" with International Standard Book Number (ISBN): 978-455-509-3 was approved on November 22, 2023. Following its publication on the DA-BAFS Official Website on November 30, 2023, **the OBCA efficacy trial requirements stipulated under the DA-BAFS Manual, 2nd Edition, shall take effect on December 29, 2023 (Friday). It shall serve as the basis for the preparation of efficacy trial protocols, conduct of efficacy trials, and evaluation and approval of efficacy trial terminal reports.**

Pursuant to the DA Department Circular (DC) No. 05, series of 2023 (*Guidelines on the Registration of OBCA Producers and Products*), as amended by the DA DC No. 01, series of 2021, any OBCA product intended for registration shall be tested for efficacy under local conditions. The Experimental Use Permit (EUP) shall be a prerequisite for OBCA product registration and shall be issued by the DA-BAFS before any OBCA efficacy trial is conducted to generate the data required for registration.

You may download the DA-BAFS Manual, 2nd Edition, through the link: <https://tinyurl.com/2ndEditionOBCAManual> or scan the QR code below.

For your information and guidance.


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