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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR No. <u>52</u> Series of 2024

## SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR (MC) NO. 37, SERIES OF 2022, "GUIDELINES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROTEIN-ENRICHED COPRA MEAL (PECM) COMMERCIALIZATION PROJECT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - NATIONAL LIVESTOCK PROGRAM"

**WHEREAS**, The livestock sector in Region VI requires substantial protein inputs to sustain optimal animal health and productivity. Protein-enriched feed products like Protein Enriched Copra Meal offer a practical solution to enhance the nutritional value of feed, promoting higher yields in meat and milk production while supporting the local economy;

**WHEREAS**, this initiative could help mitigate the rising costs of conventional protein sources for animal feed, benefiting both farmers and livestock producers. Expanding the program to these high-demand areas would also promote the use of coconut by-products in a more environmentally responsible manner, reducing waste and maximizing the utility of coconut farming resources;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** pursuant to the provisions mentioned above, Section VI of Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 37, Series of 2022 is hereby amended to include Western Visayas Region as one of the project sites:

## Section VI Requirements

## A. Minimum requirements for FCA Applicants

1. Site Location must be in Region IV-A (CALABARZON), Region XII SOCSKSARGEN) and **Region VI (WESTERN VISAYAS**);

All other provisions in MC No. 37, Series of 2022 shall remain in order.

This Circular shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force unless revoked in writing. All orders, memoranda, and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 17th day of DECEMBER 2024.

FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR. Secretary

