

Republic of the Philippines Department of Agriculture BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY

692 San Andres St., Malate, Manila

Biosafety Permit for Direct Use as Food and Feed, or for Processing Number 17-005FFP

Corn MIR604 owned and licensed by Syngenta Philippines Inc., with office address at 12th Flr., Two World Square, 22 Upper McKinley Road, McKinley Town Center, Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City, has undergone satisfactory biosafety assessment pursuant to the DOST-DA-DENR-DOH-DILG Joint Department Circular No. 1, Series of 2016 and found to be as safe as conventional corn and can be a substitute for its traditional counterpart as food and feed, or for processing. Further, the permittee has satisfactorily complied with all requirements for the issuance of biosafety permit for direct use as food and feed, or for processing.

The regulated article shall be imported solely for direct use as food and feed, or for processing and not for field trial or commercial propagation. The permittee shall take appropriate measures to prevent accidental and unintentional release/reproduction and its recurrence and thereby protect human and animal health, and the environment. A Plant Quarantine Officer and his/her duly authorized representatives shall be allowed access during regular business hours to the facility where the regulated article is located and to any records relating to the importation of the regulated article.

Issued on March 6, 2018 at the Bureau of Plant Industry, San Andres St., Malate, Manila subject to conditions stated at the back of this permit, and shall expire on March 5, 2023.

GEORGE Y. CULASTE

OIC-Director **
Bureau of Plant Industry

Biosafety Permit Conditions

- The permittee shall duly inform the public of this approval by way of publishing in any one of the top three leading newspapers in the country. A copy of such publication shall be submitted to the Bureau of Plant Industry within ten days after publication;
- 2. The regulated article shall be imported solely and exclusively for direct use as food and feed, or for processing and not for field testing or propagation;
- 3. The BPI shall impose the following conditions on the Sanitary and Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC):
 - a. In case of accidental release of corn MIR604, such as road spill during transport, it is the responsibility of the importers to inform the Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) immediately. The technology developer, Syngenta Philippines Inc., will assist the BPI to prevent unwanted germination of the GM seeds.
 - Control and mitigating measures as identified in the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) must be complied to prevent unwanted release of GM seeds into the environment;
- 4. If new information on the regulated article and its effects on human health and the environment becomes available, and such information is relevant and significant, the risk assessment shall be readdressed to determine whether the risk has changed or whether there is a need to amend the risk management strategies accordingly.
- 5. There shall be information sharing between the applicant and concerned government agencies regarding the measures in place/proposed to inform the buying public about the use of GMO in the production of animals feed with GM yellow corn as well as those products that directly use corn as ingredient.
- 6. Compliance of the permit holder with the conditions set by Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) as stated in the Biosafety Permit for Direct Use (Article 7, Section 20.H of the JDC 1, s.2016).

Violation of any condition shall lead to revocation of this permit as provided in the DOST-DA-DENR-DOH-DILG Joint Department Circular No.1, Series of 2016 Article VII, Section 21, J. In the event new information becomes available indicating that the regulated article could pose greater risks to biodiversity, human and animal health than its conventional counterpart, the applicant shall, on its own, immediately take measures necessary to protect human and animal health, and the environment.

I have read and understood the Terms and Conditions herein set forth and I enter in this agreement voluntarily and with my express consent, I here unto affix my signature with full knowledge of its leg al effect.

Signature over printed name of the Technology Developer

Date