

## 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 18-022FFP

Stacked trait product Corn Bt11 x MIR162 x MIR604 x MON89034 x 5307 x GA21 and all progenies from crosses of this product owned and licensed by Syngenta Philippines, Inc. with office address at 12th Floor, Two World Square, # 22 Upper McKinley Road, McKinley Town Center, Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City, 1630 Philippines, has satisfactorily undergone biosafety assessment pursuant to the DOST-DA-DENR-DOH-DILG Joint Department Circular (JDC) No. 1, Series of 2016.

The plant product with stacked traits conferred through conventional breeding has individual traits that have already been granted prior approval for direct use as food and feed, or for processing by the Bureau of Plant Industry, namely:

Corn Bt11, renewed on July 19, 2013, Biosafety Permit No. 13-063

Corn MIR162, renewed on February 11, 2015, Biosafety Permit No. 15-079

Corn MIR604 renewed on March 06, 2018, Biosafety Permit No. 17-005FFP

Corn MON89034 renewed on November 19, 2015, Biosafety Permit No. 15-011

Corn 5307 renewed on June 11, 2015, Biosafety Permit No. 15-082

Corn GA21 renewed on November 20, 2013, Biosafety Permit No. 13-070

No interactions were found between and among the stacked traits; hence this product was found to be as safe as conventional corn and can substitute for its traditional counterpart for direct use as food and feed, or for processing. Syngenta Philippines, Inc. is hereby notified that it may proceed with the activities for this stacked trait product. The importation of this stacked trait product is subject to the conditions stated in this permit.

This permit is issued on Oct 31,2018 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 Oct. 30, 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;
- 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;
- There shall be strict monitoring of the regulated article from port of entry to the traders/importers storage/warehouse as stated in Sec 32 of JDC 1 s2016;
- 4. The importer shall ensure the proper and secure packaging of the regulated article for transport and the safety and durability of the transport vehicle for prevention of any possible spillage or unintended release during transport/import. The Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) shall conduct inspection of the shipment at the port of entry;
- Control and mitigating measures shall be identified in the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) must be complied to prevent unwanted release of GM seeds into the environment;
- 6. In case of accidental release of stacked corn BT11 x MIR162 x MIR604 x MON89034 x 5307 x GA21, such as road spill during transport, it is the responsibility of the importers to inform the Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) immediately. The BPI shall impose these conditions on the Sanitary and Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC). Syngenta will assist the BPI to prevent unwanted germination of the GM seeds;
- 7. 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;
- 8. Upon expiration of the biosafety permit of the single events, permits should be renewed under the IDC six months before their expiry date; and
- The permit holder shall comply with the conditions set by the Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) as stated in the Biosafety Permit for Direct Use (Article 7, Section 21.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. 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 have unto affix my signature with full knowledge of its legal effect.

Signature over printed name of the Technology Developer

NOV 18, 2018

Date