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Dear Ms. Sy,

Continued Certification to ISO 9001:2008

Based on the results of the second surveillance audit on 06 December 2017, the continued certification of your quality management system (QMS) to ISO 9001:2008 is hereby approved by Certification International Philippines, Inc.

The audit found your QMS maintained in accordance with the requirements of ISO 9001:2008. It reported the strengths of your QMS and the activities that have been initiated by your different departments to meet their quality objectives, ensure external and internal customer satisfaction.

Finally, we encourage your management team to consider the opportunities for continual improvement that were discussed during the audit. We anticipate that your appropriate actions on these would escalate the effectiveness of your QMS as a tool for continual improvements and as a guide for meeting organizational performance objectives. Subsequent audits will track the progress and results of these improvement actions, subject to the renewal of the 3-year certification contract between TPB and CIP.

Best wishes for your continued success.

Very truly yours,
CERTIFICATION INTERNATIONAL

RENATO V. NAVARRETE
Chairman and President

Note: Certification International had been rebranded as SOCOTEC Certification International but our company name is retained as Certification International Philippines, Inc.

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NOTICE TO ALL CERTIFICATION INTERNATIONAL CUSTOMERS CERTIFIED TO ISO 9001:2008 AND ISO 14001:2004

Subject: Transition to ISO 9001:2015 and to ISO 14001:2015

ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 were both published on 15 September 2015 by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). In accordance with the three-year transition period stipulated by ISO and the International Accreditation Forum, starting from 15 September 2015 until 14 September 2018, Certification International hereby provides guidance to its certified organizations regarding the transition of their QMS and EMS to the 2015 requirements and the maintenance of their Certificates of Registration:

- (a) During the three-year transition period, ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 14001:2004 will be gradually replaced with their 2015 editions. The side-by-side existence of the old and new editions of the two ISO standards will continue until 14 September 2018. On 15 September 2018, ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 14001:2004 shall have been fully phased out, giving way to ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 as the lone editions of the standards.
- (b) To maintain their certified status, organizations with QMS certified under ISO 9001:2008 and/or EMS under ISO 14001:2004 must successfully complete their transition audit to ISO 9001:2015 and/or ISO 14001:2015 not later than 14 June 2018; otherwise, without transition audits, certificates will be valid only until 14 September 2018.
- (c) During the transition period, new applications for QMS certification under ISO 9001:2008 and/or EMS certification under ISO 14001:2004 continue to be accepted. On the other hand, QMS and EMS certified organizations with expiring certificates within the first half of 2017 may seek reassessments under ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 14001:2004. However, regardless of application status - new or reassessments - organizations need to ensure that they undergo and complete their audits (either Stage 2 or reassessment) not later than 14 June 2017, thus making possible the issuance of their certificates under ISO 9001:2008 and/or ISO 14001:2004 not later than 14 September 2017. After this date but not later than 14 June 2018, the transition audit described in (b) above must be accomplished.
- (d) Further to paragraph (c), the deadline of 14 June 2017 is expected to allow satisfactory time for proper closure of any nonconformities and corrective actions that may arise from audits.
- (e) Audits against ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 can be scheduled any time, subject to the state of readiness of organizations, particularly the adequacy of their QMS and/or EMS in meeting the requirements of ISO 9001:2015 and/or ISO 14001:2015.

For QMS- and EMS-certified organizations, their transition audits can be scheduled to coincide with their surveillance audit or reassessment. Another option is to have a stand-alone transition audit, separate from the regular schedule of surveillance audit or reassessment.

Additional audit mandays, in accordance with ISO/IAF rules, will be specified to allow coverage of the additional requirements of the revised standards as well as the revisions made by auditees to their QMS and/or EMS.

- (f) As an added preparation for the transition audit, organizations may request CI to conduct pre-audits. Trainings on the requirements of the standards are also available. For inquiries, please contact Ms. Jesseca Astoveza at Jesseca.Astoveza@socotec.com or Mr. Kim Miranda at Kim-Allan.Miranda@socotec.com.
- (g) The expiry date for newly issued ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015 certificates will be three years from their certification approval dates. 2015 certificates resulting from transition audits will have validity dates based on their individual "Date of original issue," which appears in the outgoing ISO 9001:2008 or ISO 14001:2004 certificates.

Summary of reminders:

- Old certificates under ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 14001:2004: valid until 14 September 2018
- Transition audits: should be completed by 14 June 2018
- ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 14001:2004 certificates can be issued until 14 September 2017 only
- Full phase out of ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 14001:2004: beginning 15 September 2018