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Dear Valued Certificate Holders,

LAUNCH OF NEW MUIS HALAL CERTIFICATION CONDITIONS (HCC) FOR PRODUCT / WHOLE PLANT SCHEME

The Islamic Religious Council of Singapore (Muis) is pleased to announce the launch of the new Muis HCC 2022 (Version 1.0) for **Product (PRO) / Whole Plant (WP)** scheme following Halal Engagement Session held virtually in November 2021.

2 Based on the inputs from the public consultation, the revisions to the HCC have been finetuned to improve transparency, efficiency and effectiveness of Singapore's Halal regulation.

3 The Muis HCC 2022 (Version 1.0) will be effective from **1 September 2022**. The key changes for the PRO / WP scheme are listed below:

i. **Trading and contract manufacturing under WP scheme**

Currently, establishments under WP scheme are not allowed to undertake trading and contract manufacturing.

From 1 September 2022, those under WP scheme will be able to engage in trading and contract manufacturing. This comes together with a change in certificate format. The Halal certificate for WP scheme will include a list of all Halal-certified products manufactured at the address reflected in the certificate.

ii. **Display of Muis Halal Certification Mark (MHCM) on warmers**

Those under PRO / WP scheme providing Halal food displayed in food warmers located at external premises are currently not allowed to display the MHCM on the food warmers.

From 1 September 2022, display of MHCM on food warmers will be allowed, provided that the list of Halal-certified food products to be placed in the warmers are displayed on the warmers as well.

iii. **Change in requirement for presence of brand owner's representative**

At present, it is stipulated for brand owner's representative to be present during certification (site) audit.

From 1 September 2022, it is no longer a requirement for brand owner to send a representative for the certification audit conducted at the contract manufacturer's premises.

4 The new HCC for PRO / WP scheme can be accessed on our website at this [link](#). Certificate holders are **highly encouraged** to familiarise themselves with the new HCC prior to its effective date of 1 September 2022.

5 Certificate holders may also look forward to infographics and other suitable communication materials for greater clarity on the requirements of the new Halal Certification Conditions. These can be accessed via the same link in Paragraph 4.

6 Should you have any concern and/or further enquiries, please email us at info@muis.gov.sg or contact us at 6011 0037. Alternatively, you may refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) in **Annex A**.

7 We would like to wish you continued success in your business. Thank you for your support and co-operation.

Best regards,

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