[SRA SUGAR ORDER NO. 8, S. OF 2008-2009, February 05, 2009]

MORATORIUM ON THE PAYMENT OF PENALTIES FOR HOMELESS "D" AND "DX" SUGA R, RE- MOVING "D" TO "E" CONVERSION DEADLINES FOR "DE" SUGAR, AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR TIMELY DISPOSITION AND/OR EXPORT

WHEREAS, Sugar Order No. 3, Series of 2008-2009 imposes a reinstatement penalty of P10.00 per Lkg-Bag per day on homeless "D" or World Market sugar, and the same policy is still in force and effect.

WHEREAS, many requests have been submitted for the reinstatement of "D/Dx" sugar which become homeless for lack of buyers prior to their established deadlines, or for failure to meet the deadlines due to various other valid reasons;

WHEREAS, the primary intention of SRA in instituting deadlines and imposing a reinstatement penalty for homeless "D" sugar is not to penalize quedan holders who unintentionally miss the deadlines but to enable the faster removal of excess sugar from the domestic market so as not to further depress domestic sugar prices to unprofitable levels;

WHEREAS, there were holders of homeless "D" quedans who already paid reinstatement fees, such that the principle of justice and equity should also be considered along with the granting of a subsequent moratorium on penalties for homeless "D" sugar;

NOW THEREFORE, under and by virtue of the authority vested in the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA), the following is hereby ordered:

SECTION 1. Moratorium. A proportionate moratorium on penalties for reinstatement of "D/Dx" sugar produced up to Week-ending February 1, 2009 shall be allowed, provided quedan holders authorize the sale of the homeless "D/Dx" sugar through block bidding to be facilitated by the SRA and conducted by the producers, representatives by March 12, 2009;

Section 1a. All "Dx" Sugar produced from Week-ending February 8, 2009 shall be covered by a separate Sugar Order establishing a "Dr" (World Export Reserve).

SECTION 2. Reinstatement Fee Table. A one-time reinstatement fee for homeless "D" and "Dx" sugar produced up to Week-ending February 1, 2009 shall be charged as follows:

Production Date/Year	Reinstatement Fee per Lkg- Bag
1. CY 06-07	P50.00
2. CY 07-08	P30.00