

**MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION (MOC)**

**BETWEEN**

**OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER PROTECTION BOARD,  
OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER,  
KINGDOM OF THAILAND**

**AND**

**THE INDUSTRIAL AND PRODUCT SAFETY POLICY GROUP  
OF THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY, TRADE AND INDUSTRY  
OF  
JAPAN**

Office of the Consumer Protection Board (OCPB), Office of the Prime Minister, Kingdom of Thailand and the Industrial and Product Safety Policy Group of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan (METI), hereinafter individually referred to as a 'side' and collectively as 'both sides',

- **RECOGNIZING** that OCPB is the regulatory authority in the Kingdom of Thailand responsible for receiving complaints from the consumers, tracing and scrutinizing actions of the entrepreneurs, arranging for the test or verification of any goods or services, notifying or advertising the information about goods or services which may affect, cause damages or disgraces to the consumer's right; and
  
- **RECOGNIZING** that the Industrial and Product Safety Policy Group of METI is the regulatory authority responsible for the safety of consumer products in Japan and takes responsibility for the implementation of the Consumer Product Safety Act, the Electrical Appliances and Materials Safety Act, the Gas Business Act and the Act on the Securing of Safety and the Optimization of Transaction of Liquefied Petroleum Gas;

## **SHARED THE FOLLOWING VIEWS:**

1. All activities under this MOC are subject to the availability of funds and resources, and pursuant to the acts and regulations of each side within the scope of authority, both sides intend to:

- 1.1 Exchange scientific, technical and regulatory information to ensure the safety of consumer products;
- 1.2 Exchange information on emerging issues of significant health and safety relevance. Information regarding products, manufacturers and importers may be exchanged if necessary;
- 1.3 Exchange information on serious incidents associated with consumer products happened in Thailand or Japan (e.g. products name, products category, level of the harm, cause of incidents, country of origin and so on.);
- 1.4 Exchange information on consumer product withdrawal/recall operations within Thailand or Japan (e.g. products name, products category, number of recalled products, trigger events and so on.);
- 1.5 Exchange information (if any) on risks identified and measures taken with respect to consumer products originating from Thailand and Japan;
- 1.6 Exchange information (if any) on risks identified and measures taken with respect to imported consumer products in Thailand and Japan originating from third countries; and
- 1.7 Exchange information and opinions on the consumer product safety policies (pre-market regulation, withdrawal/recall procedure, incidents information database and so on.);

2. Both sides will work together with the relevant organizations (e.g. the National Institute of Technology and Evaluation of Japan (NITE), the Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI) and the Central Police Forensic Science Division of Thailand), as needed, for the success of above activities.

3. The financial arrangements to cover expenses for the co-operative activities within the framework of this MOC will be mutually formulated by both sides on a case-by-case basis subject to the availability of funds and resources.

4. Both sides will arrange meetings periodically through delegations at the appropriate level for the maximum benefit of this MOC and make exertions for the efficiency of the meetings related to the relevant participants and venues. These meetings and delegations will fulfill mutually determined programs and facilitate the planning of future course of action.

5. The cooperation under this MOC will begin on the date of signing by both sides and continue to have effect until such time as one side requests its termination, by giving thirty (30) days written notice in advance.

6. This MOC does not create any legally binding obligations between both sides. Any differences in interpretation or implementation of this MOC will be settled amicably through consultations and negotiations between both sides.

7. Both sides appoint the contact points listed below to conduct the cooperation under this MOC smoothly.

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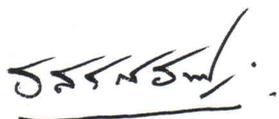
METI: Product Safety Division, Industrial and Product Safety Policy  
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Signed at Tokyo on the 27th of 2023 in duplicate, in the English language.

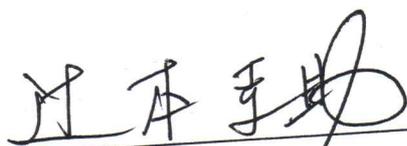
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