



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY BOARD

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**PSA Board Resolution No. 09  
Series of 2021**

**APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CONVERSION RATE OF FIFTY PERCENT  
ON DRY RUBBER CONTENT OF CUP LUMPS**

**WHEREAS**, one of the statistical activities of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) is to collect, generate and disseminate production data for rubber in its raw form which is cup lump;

**WHEREAS**, the PSA regularly provides data to the Association of Natural Rubber Producing Countries (ANRPC) as input to the Natural Rubber Trends and Statistics, using a twenty five (25%) conversion rate from cup lump to dry rubber;

**WHEREAS**, the PSA uses the twenty five percent (25%) conversion rate from cup lump to dry rubber in the Supply Utilization Accounts (SUA) - a comprehensive statistical framework for the physical accounting of agricultural commodities produced in the country;

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Rubber Technical Working Group (PHILRUBBER TWG) raised the concern on the PSA's use of a twenty five percent (25%) conversion rate from cup lump to dry rubber on the data submitted to the ANRPC, considering that other member countries involved in the rubber production use fifty percent (50%) based on internationally accepted computation of the rubber industry;

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Rubber Research Institute (PRRI) cited that collection of data for Dry Rubber Content (DRC) determination from the interview of key informants from processing plants can serve as basis for DRC rate;

**WHEREAS**, the PSA and the PRRI jointly pursued the conduct of an on-site validation to targeted rubber-processing plants and observed their processing operation for purposes of determining the conversion rate;

**WHEREAS**, after the review of the results of the on-site validation, the PSA and the PRRI recommends the following:

- a) Adopt the fifty percent (50%) conversion rate of DRC;
- b) PSA to use the fifty percent (50%) conversion rate in the SUA for Rubber; and in the reports submitted to ANRPC and whenever requests for such form arise;

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- c) PSA to maintain the cup lump product form of rubber in some reports as this is the form required in the valuation of production in agriculture; and
- d) PRRI to continuously do research to update this conversion rate and provide updates to the PSA.

**WHEREAS**, the Interagency Committee on Agriculture and Fishery Statistics (IACAFS) endorses the conversion rate of fifty percent (50%) on DRC of cup lumps for approval of the PSA Board;

**WHEREAS**, the PSA shall implement the use of the new conversion rate starting July 2021;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the PSA Board approve the adoption of the conversion rate of fifty percent (50%) on DRC of cup lumps with the following details, to wit:

- a) Adopt the fifty percent (50%) conversion rate of DRC;
- b) PSA to use the fifty percent (50%) conversion rate in the SUA for Rubber; and in the reports submitted to ANRPC and whenever requests for such form arise;
- c) PSA to maintain the cup lump product form of rubber in some reports as this is the form required in the valuation of production in agriculture; and
- d) PRRI to continuously do research to update this conversion rate and provide



Approved this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021, in Metro Manila.



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