TARLAC STATE UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

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MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 20Series of 2017

POLICY ON NON-ENVIRONMENTALLY ACCEPTABLE PRODUCTS (NEAP),
REITERATING EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND PROHIBITED
PRACTICES, AND IMPOSING APPROPRIATE SANCTIONS OR PENALTIES ON
VIOLATIONS HEREOF

Consistent with applicable provisions in RA 9003 or the "Ecological Solid Waste Management Act" of 2000 and compliance to the requirements set on ISO 14001:2015 or the Environmental Management System, the University hereby prohibits the entry and the use of non-environmentally acceptable products (NEAPs) which include among others Styrofoam/styrophor, plastic straws, plastic bags, plastic cups, gums, cigarettes, candy wrapper, and any other NEAP or non-biodegradable and non-recyclable/non-reusable residual wastes as may later on be identified.

Alternative packaging materials are to be used in lieu of NEAPs. Under circumstances that NEAPs are unavoidably brought in, the policy on "what you bring in, you bring out" shall apply.

Moreover, existing policies and non-environmentally acceptable practices are hereby reiterated among which are the "No Smoking Policy", the "Anti-Littering Policy", the "Energy Conservation Policy", the unauthorized cutting or improper pruning of trees, the burning of organic and inorganic materials, non-segregation of generated wastes, mixing wastes in labeled bins, and any other prohibited practices or acts later on identified and consistent with applicable statutes or regulations on environmental management.

Any violation shall be dealt with administrative sanctions or penalty or both consistent with applicable government statute or regulation or in the absence of such, the administration shall formulate such. Government offices not organic to the institution (i.e. TSUMPCI) and private entities occupying offices or spaces within the premises or facilities of the university shall either pay violation fee or suspension of occupancy/operation or both as the case would warrant.

Key officials of offices/units are mandated to lead in the implementation and cascading of this policy to all interested parties/stakeholders of the university particularly, the Office of the Vice President for Administration and Finance. The Civil Security Unit shall see to it that this Order is properly implemented from the point of entry of NEAPs to the university and to undertake regular monitoring of the campuses for compliance.

To assure awareness of this Order, the cascading of the policy to the university community will be this Mid-year break and full implementation shall start on first semester of School Year 2017. The Administrative Services Office and its concerned units shall spearhead this activity. The Office of Student Affairs shall take charge of scheduling and in cascading this policy to student at the start of the semester.

This order shall take effect and enforced immediately.

For the information and guidance of everyone.

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