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Shri Rohit Kumar Singh, IAS
Secretary (CA)
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution

Subject: Request for Extension on Implementation of Legal Metrology Packaged Commodity Rules, 2011

Respected Sir,

Greetings from MAIT!

At the outset, we commend the Department of Consumer Affairs ("DoCA") for continuously taking the initiative to accommodate requests made by the industry and adopting a consultative approach.

This is with reference to the submission made by MAIT on 21st August 2023 with regard to industry concerns and the proposed solutions pertaining to the declaration of month and year of manufacture on retail packages under Rule 6(1)(d) of the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011 ("LMPC Rules").

The submission was made in response to the discussion during the meeting dated 21st August 2023 on the same issue. We trust you to find the submission in order.

In the interim, since the compliance date of the November 2021 amendment is expiring on August 31, 2023; **we request for a suitable extension, allowing industry to address the technical intricacies and ensuring them to meet all the stipulated requirements accurately and effectively**.

We sincerely appreciate your consideration of our request for an extension. We believe that this additional time will enable us to implement the Legal Metrology Rules to the highest standard and uphold the principles of fairness and accuracy that these regulations seek to achieve.

Look forward to your continuous support and guidance.

Warm regards,

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Director General

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