Notification of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services

No. 7, B.E. 2564 (2021)

Regarding Declaration and Display of Purchase Price of Waste Paper and Reused Paper

Whereas the Notification of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services No. 1, B.E. 2563 (2020) Regarding Determination of Additional Goods under Control dated 4 February B.E. 2563 (2020) comes to an end, resulting in the end of the enforcement of the Notification of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services No. 6, B.E. 2563 (2020) Regarding Declaration and Display of Purchase Price of Waste Paper and Reused Paper dated 4 February B.E.2563 (2020). In the meantime, the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services has already reconsidered the exercise of its power regarding the stipulation of the aforesaid measure, it is of the view that there should be the maintenance of the measure that an operator who does the business of purchasing the waste paper shall declare and display information on the purchase price of the waste paper and the reused paper in order to supervise the business operation of purchasing the waste paper to bring about fairness to all parties involved and to monitor the movement of the purchase price of the waste paper in the country to be more efficient.

By virtue of Section 9 (2), (3), (5), Section 25 (3), (4), paragraph one of Section 26, and Section 28 of the Price of Goods and Services Act, B.E. 2542 (1999), the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services therefore issues this Notification, as follows.

Article 1. This Notification shall come into force in all areas of the Kingdom for the period of one year as from the day following the date of its publication, except for there being the issuance of a new notification.

Article 2. In this Notification,

"business operator" means a person who buys the waste paper in order to resell, produce or transform it into other products, i.e. a paper pulp factory, a paper mill, a junk shop, both an ordinary person and a juristic person, or a peddling car which is driven by a motor and has four or more wheels as a vehicle;

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"waste paper and reused paper" means crate paper, white-black paper, mix paper.

Article 3. The business operators, particularly the paper pulp factory and the paper mill, are required to declare information on the purchase price of the waste paper and the reused paper being on the date of this Notification coming into force. The declaration must be made within thirty days as from the date of this Notification coming into force.

The business operators, as stated in paragraph one, who carry on business after the date of this Notification coming into force shall declare the information as stated in paragraph one within fifteen days as from the date of the commencement of business.

In the case where the business operators as stated in paragraph one have already declared the information under the Notification of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services No. 6, B.E. 2563 (2020) Regarding Declaration and Display of Purchase Price of Waste Paper and Reused Paper dated 4 February B.E.2563 (2020), it shall be deemed that the declaration of the information under paragraph one of this Notification has been made.

Article 4. In case of having an intention to purchase the waste paper and the reused paper at a different price from the declared one, the declaration of such change shall be made within three days as from the date of the change.

Article 5. The declaration under Article 3 or Article 4 shall be made to the Secretary-General of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services in the form prescribed by the Secretary-General of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services at the Office of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services, the Department of Internal Trade, the Ministry of Commerce.

The declaration under paragraph one shall be made by electronic data, electronic mail (email), facsimile or registered and replied mail. In case of the declaration by electronic data, the date when the electronic data enters into the data system of the Office of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services, the Department of Internal Trade, the Ministry of Commerce shall be deemed as the date of declaration. In case of the declaration by electronic mail (email), the date when the electronic mail (email) is received by a competent official shall be deemed as the date of intention of declaration. In case of the declaration by facsimile, the date when the facsimile is received by a competent official shall be deemed as the date of intention of declaration. In case of the declaration by registered and replied mail, the date when there is a daily seal affixed at the origin post office shall be deemed as the date of declaration.

The declaration by electronic mail (email) or facsimile under paragraph two shall be valid when the business operators have already submitted the original document to the Secretary-General of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services.

The business operator who wishes to declare the information via electronic data shall sign in the memorandum of agreement to declare the information via electronic data in accordance with the rules and procedures as prescribed by the Secretary-General of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services.

Article 6. The business operators are required to clearly and completely display the purchase price of the waste paper and the reused paper in an area of the place of purchase or a nearby area to the place of purchase or to a vehicle which is used for the purchase. In the case where the business operators have websites or social media, the display of the purchase price shall be undertaken on such websites or social media.

In case of the purchase price of the waste paper and the reused paper being related to the kind or quality of the paper, the display of the purchase price shall be undertaken concurrently with such content or item.

The display of the purchase price as specified in paragraph one shall be undertaken by writing, printing or making appearance by other methods on paper, wood, mirror, wall or any other material.

The display of the purchase price as specified in paragraph one shall be undertaken in the form of the price per unit. Such a price shall be made in whatever the figure of any language; however, there must be Arabic figure in the price display in the high size of not lower than ten centimeters, except for the display of the purchase price on websites or social media. The aforesaid display of the purchase price shall be undertaken in the manner of being clearly seen and disclosed, in capable of being easily read. The contents or items to be displayed concurrently with the purchase price must be made in Thai language, regardless of whether there are other foreign languages or not.

Article 7. The purchaser is required to buy at a price not lower than the displayed price under Article 6.

Article 8. When the business operator has requested the Secretary-General of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services to extend the specified period of time in this Notification; or when the Secretary-General of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services has deemed as appropriate; the Secretary-General of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services may give an order to make an extension of the specified period of time prior to the expiry date of such a period. Nevertheless, such an extension shall be made only when there is a special circumstance or an unavoidable event; and the business operator has requested; or the Secretary-General of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services has given an order prior to the expiry date of such a period, except for the case of force majeure.

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