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REGULATIONS 2018**

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IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 37 of the *Pure Food Act 1996*, I make the following Regulations:

1 Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *Pure Food (Food Control) (Amendment) Regulations 2018*.

2 Commencement

These Regulations commence 6 months after publication in the *Gazette*.

3 Regulations amended

These Regulations amend the Pure Food (Food Control) Regulations 2010 (the “principal Regulations”)

4 Interpretation

Regulation 2 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting the following in alphabetical order:

“*importing country*” means another country which imports food from Solomon Islands;

“*organic rice*” means a rice product processed and certified according to the requirement under the definition of organic food;

“*unmilled rice*” means brown, red or wild rice.

5 Eleventh Schedule amended

(1) The principal Regulations are amended by deleting clause 11.2(1) of the Eleventh Schedule and substituting the following:

“(1) This standard applies to husked rice, milled rice, and parboiled rice intended as human food sold either in packaged form or loose from the package but does not apply to other products derived from rice or to glutinous rice.”

- (2) The principal Regulations are amended by inserting the following after clause 11.2(4) of the Eleventh Schedule:

“(5) At the time of import, export, sale or any domestic production process, natural nutrients and the following minimum levels of micronutrients must be present:

- (a) 5.0 mg/kg of thiamin from a source of thiamine mononitrate;
- (b) 70 mg/kg of niacin;
- (c) 1.1 mg/kg of folic acid;
- (d) 60 mg/kg of iron;
- (e) 45 mg/kg of zine from a source of zinc oxide.

(6) The micronutrients in subclause (5) must be added to rice through a process that ensures at least 80% retention of each nutrient after rinsing and prior to cooking.

(7) For rice produced for export to a country with requirements that are in conflict with these standards, the rice must meet the importing country’s requirements at the time of export.

(8) The standards set out in subclause (5) do not apply to the following:

- (a) rice imported by a person or an enterprise where the total volume imported is less than 100 metric tonnes within any 12 month period;
- (b) unmilled rice;
- (c) organic rice;
- (d) milled rice produced domestically by a person or an enterprise where the total production is less than 1000 metric tonnes within any 12 months period.”

MADE AT HONIARA this fourteenth day of November, 2018.

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