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MEMORANDUM ORDER
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Subject: Designation of Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Plant Industry Centers (DA-BPI Centers) and National Seed Quality Control Services (NSQCS) Regional/Satellite Stations Technical Personnel as Plant Tissue Culture Facility Evaluators

In the interest of public service and pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act No. 7308 otherwise known as the "Seed Industry Development Act of 1992, Chapter VI, Article 29 and the 32 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (I.R.R.) and in order to facilitate the smooth implementation of Plant Tissue Culture Facility Accreditation Program in the production of quality tissue-cultured planting materials, the following are designated as PTCF Evaluators, to wit:

BPI CENTERS

OFFICE	PLANT TISSUE CULTURE EVALUATOR
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REGION	OFFICE	PLANT TISSUE CULTURE EVALUATOR/S
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The Plant Tissue Culture Facility Evaluator shall:

1. Conduct inspection, validation, and evaluation of the laboratory upon application for accreditation;
2. Evaluate the applicant based on the approved guidelines for plant tissue culture facility accreditation;
3. Submit fully accomplished reports to the secretariat at the National Seed Quality Control services (NSQCS), Quezon City for proper documentation and approval or denial of application; and
4. Engage laboratory owner/representative and the secretariat through pre-conference and exit conference in interpreting the data gathered and its implications for laboratory improvement.

Approved:

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