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Independent Consumer and Competition Commission Act 2002

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DECLARE GOODS UNSAFE (YOYO WATER BALLS)

PURSUANT to Section 114(1) of the *Independent Consumer & Competition Commission Act 2002* ("ICCC Act"), the Independent Consumer & Competition Commission ("Commission") proposes to publish in the *National Gazette* a notice under Section 108(5) of the *ICCC Act* in substantially the same form and substance as the draft indicated below, declaring the goods described in the notice to be unsafe goods in Papua New Guinea.

The Commission invites any person who supplies or proposes to supply yoyo water balls of the kind described in the draft notice below to notify the Commission within ten (10) days of the publication of this notice in the *National Gazette*, if they wish for the Commission to hold a conference to this notice.

[DRAFT SECTION 108(5) DECLARATION NOTICE No. 21 OF 2013
(YOYO WATER BALLS NOT SAFE)]

Declaration of Unsafe Goods

PURSUANT to Section 108(5) of the *Independent Consumer and Competition Commission Act 2002*, I hereby declare as unsafe in Papua New Guinea, goods known as 'yoyo water balls' (and similar products):

- (1) that are toys intended to be thrown and returned to the hand; and
- (2) with an elastic cord capable of extending at least 500 mm in length and usually:
 - (a) with a loop on one end to wear around the finger and soft synthetic object on the other; and
 - (b) maybe filled with air or a liquid (such as water or toluene); or
 - (c) contain a novelty feature, such as a flashing light or resemble the form of a cartoon animal.

Exemption

This declaration does not apply to products supplied:

- (i) as outdoor and sporting toys such as a practice tennis ball retained on an electric tension cord intended to be anchored; or
- (ii) as a bat with a ball attached by an elastic cord; or
- (iii) goods known as the "yo-be" sling disc.

Notice of Intention to Declare Goods Unsafe (Yoyo Water Balls)—*continued**Summary of Reasons*

The cord is made of a rubbery sticky plastic material that can stretch to over a meter in length, and if swung around the head of a child, the cord can constrict breathing and cause choking if wound tightly around a child's neck.

The Commission pursuant to Section 114 of the Act invites any person (who supplies or proposes to supply yoyo water balls of the kind described in this notice) to notify the Commission within 10 days of the publication of this notice in the *National Gazette*, if they wish for the Commission to hold a conference in relation to this notice.

Subject to the above, any person or persons supplying these yoyo water balls in breach of this notice, shall be deemed to be in breach of Section 108(1) of the Act and is liable for prosecution pursuant to Division 2—Sections 132, 133 and 134 of the Act with a penalty of up to K100,000.00 or imprisonment of up to 2 years and further pursuant to Section 111(1) of the Act action will be taken by the Commission to recall these products. The Commission therefore advises that these products should not be supplied in PNG.

The notification should be address to: Independent Consumer and Competition Commission, Consumer Protection Division, 1st Floor, Garden City, Angau Drive, P.O. Box 6394, Boroko, National Capital District, Telephone: (675) 325 2144. Facsimile: (675) 323 0052.

Dated this 19th day of March, 2013.

Dr. B. MANOKA, PhD,
Commissioner/Chief Executive Officer,
Independent Consumer and Competition Commission.

*Independent Consumer and Competition Commission Act 2002***NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DECLARE GOODS UNSAFE (TOY-LIKE NOVELTY CIGARETTE LIGHTERS)**

PURSUANT to Section 114(1) of the *Independent Consumer & Competition Commission Act 2002* (“*ICCC Act*”), the Independent Consumer & Competition Commission (“*Commission*”) proposes to publish in the *National Gazette* a notice under Section 108(5) of the *ICCC Act* in substantially the same form and substance as the draft indicated below, declaring the goods described in the notice to be unsafe goods in Papua New Guinea.

The Commission invites any person who supplies or proposes to supply novelty cigarette lighters of the kind described in the draft notice below to notify the Commission within ten (10) days of the publication of this notice in the *National Gazette*, if they wish for the Commission to hold a conference in relation to this notice.

[DRAFT SECTION 108(5) DECLARATION NOTICE No. 2 OF 2013
(TOY-LIKE NOVELTY CIGARETTE LIGHTERS NOT SAFE)]

Declaration of Unsafe Goods

PURSUANT to Section 108(5) of the *Independent Consumer and Competition Commission Act 2002*, I hereby declare as unsafe in Papua New Guinea, toy-like novelty cigarette lighters (and similar products), being devices:

- (1) which are intended to produce a flame to set alight cigarette and other combustible materials; and
- (2) whose designs maybe appealing to children under 5 years of age as the designs depict:
 - (a) stylised animals; or
 - (b) cartoon characters; or
 - (c) colours; or
 - (d) scale, typical of toys.

Summary of Reasons

The toy-like novelty cigarette lighters create a risk of fire, injury and death, given that children are more likely to be attracted to these lighters and may believe them to be toys because of their bright colours and toy-like appearance of animals and cartoon characters.

Notice of Intention to Declare Goods Unsafe (Toy-Like Novelty Cigarette Lighters)—*continued*

The Commission pursuant to Section 114 of the Act invites any person (who supplies or proposes to supply novelty cigarette lighters of the kind described in this notice) to notify the Commission within 10 days of the publication of this notice in the *National Gazette*, if they wish for the Commission to hold a conference in relation to this notice.

Subject to the above, any person or persons supplying these novelty cigarette lighters in breach of this notice, shall be deemed to be in breach of Section 108(1) of the Act and is liable for prosecution pursuant to Division 2—Sections 132, 133 and 134 of the Act with a penalty of up to K100,000.00 or imprisonment of up to 2 years and further pursuant to Section 111(1) of the Act, action may be taken by the Commission to recall these products. The Commission therefore advises that these products should not be supplied in PNG.

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Prices Regulation Act (Chapter 320)

WATER PNG'S WATER AND SEWERAGE SERVICES PRICES ORDER 2013

MADE by the Independent Consumer and Competition Commission under Section 21 of the *Prices Regulation Act* (Chapter 320), and to replace the Notice Relating to Water PNG's 2012 Water and Sewerage Tariffs as previously published in the *National Gazette* No. G29 of 19th January, 2012 and the Water and Sewerage Prices Order 2013 published in the *National Gazette* No. G45 of 6th February, 2013. The new Order is to come into operation retrospectively as of 1st of March, 2013.

With effect from 1st March, 2013, Water PNG's Water and Sewerage Tariffs for 2013 is as set out in the following Schedule.

SCHEDULE

This Schedule relates to the Water and Sewerage rates for all water supply and sewerage services supplied by Water PNG. All charges and fees (other than arrears) shown on accounts issued on or after 1st March become due and payable at the following rates:

Services	Tariff (Kina)
1.0 Water Supply	
1.1 0 to 12 Kilolitres	14.50 (minimum charge)
1.2 Above 12 Kilolitres	4.60 per kilolitre
1.3 Water Tankers per 10 Kilolitres	46.00 per 10 kilolitres
2.0 Sewerage	
2.1 Non Industrial Customers	
2.1.1 0 to 12 Kilolitres	10.0 (minimum charge)
2.1.2 Above 12 Kilolitres	1.00 per kilolitre
2.2 Industrial customers	2.00 per kilolitres
2.3 Sludge Tankers per 10 Kilolitres	30.00 per 10 kilolitres

Water PNG'S Water and Sewerage Services Prices Order 2013—*continued*Schedule—*continued*

Services		Tariff (Kina)
3.0	Connection Fees	
3.1	Standard Connections—Water	Free
3.2	Non Standard Connection—Water	At cost
3.3	Reconnection—Water	65.00 per reconnection
4.0	Standby Fees	
4.1	Standby Fee—Water	2.00 per kilolitre
4.2	Standby Fee—Sewerage	1.00 kilolitre

The above rates are expressed in Kina and are exclusive of Goods and Services Taxes (GST).

Dated this 20th day of March, 2013.

Dr. B. MANOKA. (PhD),
 Commissioner/Chief Executive Officer,
 On behalf of the Independent Consumer & Competition Commission.