



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

DANGEROUS DRUGS BOARD

**BOARD REGULATION NO. 15
SERIES OF 2025**

**SUBJECT: RECLASSIFICATION OF 4-PIPERIDONE AND I-BOC-4-PIPERIDONE
FROM THE LIST OF DANGEROUS DRUGS TO THE LIST OF
CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS**

WHEREAS, the Philippines is a state-party to the three (3) United Nations International Drug Control Conventions: the 1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, as amended by the 1972 Protocol, the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances, and the 1988 Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances;

WHEREAS, the Dangerous Drugs Board is empowered to update the official list of dangerous drugs, and controlled precursors, and essential chemicals to ensure that the national regulatory framework reflects the evolving scientific and enforcement considerations;

WHEREAS, Board Regulation No. 6, Series of 2025, classified **4-PIPERIDONE (CAS Number: 41661-47-6) AND I-BOC-4-PIPERIDONE (CAS Number: 79099-07-3)** as dangerous drugs, despite its chemical nature as precursor chemicals rather than substances of direct abuse;

WHEREAS, treating 4-PIPERIDONE AND I-BOC-4-PIPERIDONE as dangerous drugs imposes the same obligations and restrictions designed for the same, may create unnecessary regulatory burdens and compliance costs without proportionate benefit to public health or security;

WHEREAS, 4-PIPERIDONE AND I-BOC-4-PIPERIDONE are already listed in Table I of the 1988 UN Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, precursors in the illicit manufacture fentanyl and a number of fentanyl analogues;

WHEREAS, reclassification as a Controlled Precursor and Essential Chemical allows for proportionate control that focuses on preventing diversion for illicit manufacture, while at the same time preserving availability for legitimate stakeholders thus, ensuring illegal diversion is still prevented;

WHEREAS, this reclassification strengthens public health protection by ensuring that enforcement resources remain concentrated on the suppression of substances proven to have direct dependency, abuse, or toxicity risks, rather than dispersing control across materials with primarily indirect risks;

WHEREAS, the measure is not a relaxation of control, but rather an improvement in precision: it directs resources, compliance obligations, and enforcement to where they are most effective, reinforcing the integrity of the national drug control system.

WHEREFORE, be it **RESOLVED**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to **Reclassify 4-piperidone (CAS Number: 41661-47-6) AND I-BOC-4-PIPERIDONE (CAS Number: 79099-07-3)** including all compounds, mixtures, and preparations containing these substances, its salts, isomers, and salts of isomers as controlled precursors and essential chemicals, which shall be subjected to all regulatory and control measures provided for in Republic Act No. 9165, as amended, its implementing rules and regulations, and the issuances of the Board.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that all issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Regulation are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

APPROVED and **ADOPTED** this ___ day of _____ in the year of Our Lord, 2025, in Quezon City.


Secretary OSCAR F. VALENZUELA
Chairperson



Attested by:


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