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Content :	<p><b>Chapter 1 General Principles</b></p> <p><b>Article 1</b> These Regulations are established in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 11 of the Standards Act.</p> <p><b>Article 2</b> The dedicated authority in charge of standards may announce a list of products to which the designated national standards items mentioned in Article 10 of the Standards Act apply as products within the scope of application of the CNS Mark (hereinafter referred to as “the CNS Mark Product List”). The same shall apply when the dedicated authority in charge of standards intends to withdraw products from the list.</p> <p><b>Article 3</b> Products included in the CNS Mark Product List as mentioned in the previous Article may be allowed to use the CNS Mark if they meet the following requirements: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Where the quality management (hereinafter referred to as “QM”) of the factory has been registered in a quality management system as specified by the dedicated authority in charge of standards.</li><li>2. Where the products meet relevant national standards after inspection and testing.</li></ol></p>

The dedicated authority in charge of standards shall specify and announce the quality management system referred to in subparagraph 1 of the preceding paragraph.

#### Article 4

The pattern of CNS Mark is:

The dimensions of the above pattern shall be prescribed and announced by the dedicated authority in charge of standards.

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#### Article 5

The CNS Mark as mentioned in the preceding Article, together with the certificate number, shall be affixed

prominently to the body of the products that are granted the use of the CNS Mark (hereinafter referred to as

“the CNS Mark products”). Where it is not possible to affix the CNS Mark to the body of the product, the Mark

shall be affixed to the packaging or containers of the product. For products in loose packaging, the CNS Mark

shall be displayed on the delivery notes.

If the CNS Mark is not affixed to the product in accordance with the provisions of the preceding paragraph,

the drawback shall be rectified within one month;

beginning on the following day, from the date that the notification issued by the dedicated authority in charge

of standards or commissioned by juridical persons or organizations (hereinafter referred to as “the third-party

certification agencies”) is served. The specified period may be extended for one more month upon approval for

a single time only.

#### Article 6

The dedicated authority in charge of standards may commission the third-party certification agencies to conduct

conforming evaluations, certificate issuance (or replacement), market monitoring, and relevant management

procedures for the commission of CNS Mark products.

#### Article 7

The dedicated authority in charge of standards may recognize QM certification bodies (hereinafter referred to as

“recognized QM certification bodies”) or testing laboratories to conduct relevant activities, such as the QM

assessments, product sampling and inspection.

#### Chapter 2 Applications

#### Article 8

Manufacturers applying for the use of CNS Mark (hereinafter referred to as “applicants”) shall select the

classification of CNS Mark applicable for their products, and different manufacturing plants shall file applications separately.

Each product is limited to one application. However, if the product is subject to further classifications,

applications shall be made based on such classifications. One application is allowed for each classification.

Separate applications shall be made for different products produced and manufactured by the same plant. Where

the same product is produced and manufactured by different plants of the same company, separate applications

shall be made in respect of different plants.

#### Article 9

Before applying for the CNS Mark, an applicant shall first apply for QM certification with the dedicated

authority in charge of standards or a recognized QM certification body.

The dedicated authority in charge of standards or recognized certification body mentioned in the preceding

paragraph shall dispatch auditors to the applicant to perform assessments and prepare the report, which shall

be delivered to the applicant.

#### Article 10

Before applying for the CNS Mark, an applicant shall first apply for product inspection with the dedicated

authority in charge of standards or a recognized testing laboratory.

The dedicated authority in charge of standards or recognized testing laboratory mentioned in the preceding

paragraph shall dispatch inspectors to the applicant to sample products, which shall be inspected or witness

tested with compliance with related national standards. A report shall be prepared after inspection or testing

and delivered to the applicant.

With respect to the product in acquisition of other certification mark and registration of sustainable effectiveness, as specified in the announcement of the dedicated authority in charge of standards, may be

exempted from inspection conforming to national standards with the latest test report of such certification

mark; items not exempted from inspection shall still be inspected as required.

#### Article 11

An applicant shall prepare and submit an application form together with the following documents and the

application fee to the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification

agencies:

1. A copy of company or business registration certificate and a copy of factory registration certificate or other equivalent certificate. Except if the manufacturer has filled in the uniform serial number of the company or business and the factory registration number in accordance with the application form, then this requirement is no longer needed;
2. Basic information of the manufacturer;
3. Copies of registration certificates recognized by designated QM system, issued by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or recognized QM certification bodies (recognized registration scope shall include product items in the application); and
4. Copies of compliance reports of product inspection issued by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or recognized testing laboratories within six months prior to the application.

When making the application mentioned in the preceding paragraph, a foreign applicant may authorize an agent who has a business place in the Republic of China to act on his/her behalf by executing an authorization letter.

Where any of the documents submitted are in a foreign language, their Chinese translations shall also be provided at the same time.

Where an application does not comply with the requirements of the preceding 3 paragraphs of Article 11, the applicant shall rectify within one month; beginning on the following day, from the date that the notification issued by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies is served.

The application shall not be accepted if the rectification is not made within the specified time limit or noncompliance still exists after rectification.

#### Article 12

Where an application made in accordance with the previous article complies with the relevant provisions after review, the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies shall approve for use of the CNS Mark and issue the CNS Mark certificates, and may issue an English certificate based upon application. Where the application does not comply with the relevant provisions, the application shall be rejected with reasons stated.

#### Article 13

Under any of the following circumstances, manufacturers may apply for witness testing with reasons stated to the dedicated authority in charge of standards, in addition to situations where witness testing is already

specified:

1. Huge and heavy products that are not easy for delivery;
2. Delicate and fragile products that are easily damaged;
3. Dangerous products that are easy to cause dangers;
4. The testing laboratory of the manufacturer complies with the requirements of CNS 17025 and is accredited by

a laboratory accreditation body of our country or of the same country as the applicant, which has signed the

Mutual Recognition Agreement developed by the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation, with the

items and the accreditation scope covered by the applicable national standards for products.

5. Other special circumstances approved by the dedicated authority in charge of standards.

The dedicated authority in charge of standards after accepting the applications may conduct on-site evaluations

to the plants or the laboratories, which the applicant assigns. An approval of witness testing will be granted

if any of the circumstances mentioned in the preceding paragraph is met and the applicant is equipped with

adequate testing facilities and capable of performing testing items in compliance with national standards.

### Chapter 3 Administration

#### Article 14

The dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies may conduct non-periodical

surveillance visits to the manufacturers who are allowed to use the CNS Mark (hereinafter referred to as “CNS Mark registered manufacturers”) each year.

When non-compliance with the requirements of previous paragraph is found during the surveillance, the drawback

shall be rectified within one month; beginning on the following day, from the date that the notification issued by

the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies is served.

Upon expiration

of the one-month period, the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies

may conduct the surveillance again.

#### Article 15

In accordance with the quality management system designed by the dedicated authority in charge of standards for

CNS Mark registered manufacturers who are recognized to be non-compliance with the requirements of subparagraph 1 of

paragraph 1 of Article 3 during the surveillance of QM and are notified for rectification; the CNS Mark shall not be

allowed on products manufactured during the rectification period.

#### Article 16

The dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies may take samples of CNS Mark product from the market, construction sites or the plants of CNS Mark registered manufacturers to conduct product inspection on an irregular basis. The inspection reports shall be prepared and provided to the CNS Mark registered manufacturers.

If the preceding inspection is not conforming to national standards, the CNS Mark registered manufacturers shall complete the rectification within one month; beginning on the following day, from the date that the notification issued by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies is served; and apply to the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies for re-inspection.

The re-inspection mentioned in the preceding paragraph shall be conducted on new samples further selected on random basis. But if only the labeling is not conforming to national standards, then a partial inspection may be implemented only for the labeling.

Such product shall not use the CNS Mark, starting from the following day on which the notice mentioned in paragraph 2 is served, until the service of compliance reports of product re-inspection is served.

Where the CNS Mark products are proved to be non-compliance with national standards and such non-compliance is verified by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies, it shall be conducted in accordance with provisions in paragraph 2 to paragraph 4.

#### Article 17

The CNS Mark products that are identified to be in compliance with national standards through inspections of recognized testing laboratories in accordance with paragraph 1 of the previous article may be exempted from the inspections as stipulated in the first paragraph of the previous article.

If the preceding inspection is not conforming to national standards, the CNS Mark registered manufacturers shall complete the rectification within one month; beginning on the following day, from the date that the notification issued by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies is served; and apply to the recognized testing laboratories for re-inspection.

The re-inspection mentioned in the preceding paragraph shall be conducted on new samples further selected on random basis. But if only the labeling is not conforming to national standards, then a partial inspection may be implemented only for the labeling.

Such product shall not use the CNS Mark, starting from the following day on which the notice mentioned in paragraph

2 is served, until the service of compliance reports of product re-inspection is served.

#### Article 17-1

The CNS mark products in acquisition of other certification mark and registration of sustainable effectiveness,

as specified in the announcement, may be exempted from inspection conforming to national standards as stipulated

in paragraph 1 of Article 16 or paragraph 1 of the preceding article with the test report on product sampling of

such certification mark within one year; items not exempted from inspection shall still be inspected as required.

#### Article 18

The factory surveillance, QM surveillance, product sampling inspection or request for relevant information conducted

by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies, can not be evaded,

impeded, or denied by the CNS Mark registered manufacturers without due reasons.

#### Article 19

The CNS Mark registered manufacturers that suspend manufacturing of CNS Mark products shall file the reasons and

period of suspension with the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies

within three months beginning on the following day of the date of suspension.

The period of suspension mentioned in the preceding paragraph shall not exceed one year. An extension of six months

can be granted if there are valid reasons and; an approval is given by the dedicated authority in charge of

standards or the third-party certification agencies.

The CNS Mark shall not be applied to products manufactured during the suspension period mentioned in the preceding

2 paragraphs. Where a filing is made according to the provisions of paragraph 1, the CNS Mark may continue to be

applied to products that comply with national standards and are manufactured prior to the suspension period.

Upon the expiration of the suspension period mentioned in the second paragraph or early resumption, the CNS Mark

registered manufacturers may apply the CNS Mark to their products only after they have filed with the dedicated

authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies that manufacturing of CNS Mark products

has been resumed.

#### Article 20

Manufacturing of CNS Mark products shall be deemed suspended if any of the following situations

was found:

1. The factory has no record of manufacturing CNS Mark products and quality management for the most recent year;
2. No sufficient product quantity is produced required for inspection can be obtained from the factory after the previous sampling date for two times within three months.

#### Article 21

Where national standards applicable to the CNS Mark are revised or rescinded and resulted in the change of other applicable national standards, the affected contents are available for evaluation. The CNS Mark registered manufacturers shall complete rectification within six months; beginning on the following day, from the date that the notification issued by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies is served. An extension of six months can be granted if there is a rectification plan approved by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies. The CNS Mark may continue to be applied on the products that comply with national standards and are manufactured prior to the revision or rescission of national standards described in the preceding paragraph. However, the products manufactured and produced during the extension period as stipulated in the proviso of paragraph 1 shall not apply the CNS mark.

The CNS Mark registered manufacturers that have completed rectification earlier and have filed with the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies; or have completed rectification within the rectification period prescribed in paragraph 1, and conducted production in accordance with the revised or newly applicable national standards may continue to use the CNS Mark. After filing of the CNS Mark registered manufacturer as stipulated in the preceding paragraph or upon the expiration of rectification period as stipulated in paragraph 1, the dedicated authority in charge of standards, third-party certification agencies or recognized testing laboratories shall conduct product sampling inspection in accordance with the revised or newly applicable national standards as stipulated in Article 16 and Article 17.

#### Article 22

Where changes are made to the content specified in the CNS Mark certificates, the CNS Mark registered manufacturers shall apply to the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies for issuance of replacement certificates by submitting the original certificates and relevant documents. Where the changes involve relocation of plants; after registering the new plant site, the CNS Mark registered



manufacturers shall enclose copies of recognized QM registration certificates, assessment or surveillance compliance report within one year, and product inspection compliance report within six months to apply for issuance of replacement certificates.

The CNS Mark registered manufacturers who do not apply for issuance of replacement certificates in accordance with the provisions of the preceding 2 paragraphs, shall rectify within one month; beginning on the following day, from the date that the notification issued by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies is served.

#### Article 23

If the CNS Mark certificate is lost, damaged or destroyed, the CNS Mark registered manufacturers may apply to the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies for re-issuance of certificates.

#### Article 24

Where the scope of registration of a CNS Mark registered manufacturer is influenced by the revocation or rescission of the recognition status or alteration of scope of recognition of a recognized QM certification body, the manufacturer shall submit a copy of the QM certificate and the assessment or surveillance report of that year to apply for a change of recognized QM certification body within three months; beginning on the following day, from the date that the notification issued by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies is served. If the application for such changes is not made, the manufacturer shall rectify within one month beginning on the following day, from the date that the notification issued by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies is served. The application for a change of registered QM certification body mentioned in the preceding paragraph shall be approved if it complies with relevant provisions after review of the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies; otherwise, it shall be rejected with reasons stated. The CNS Mark registered manufacturers may apply for a second review within one month beginning on the following day, from the date that the rejection notice is served.

#### Article 25

Where a CNS Mark registered manufacturer takes the initiative to apply for a change of recognized QM certification

bodies, it shall submit a copy of the QM certificate and the assessment or surveillance report of that year issued by such recognized QM certification bodies to the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies. Application for such changes will not be accepted during the rectification period prescribed in Article 15.

Where a CNS Mark registered manufacturer voluntarily applies for change of product inspection agency, it shall submit a copy of product sampling inspection compliance report of that year issued by such inspection agency and fill in the application form to apply with the dedicated authority in charge of standards or third-party certification agencies. Application cannot be accepted during the rectification period as stipulated in Article 16 and Article 17.

The application mentioned in the preceding 2 paragraphs shall be approved if it complies with relevant provisions after review of the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies; otherwise, it shall be rejected with reasons stated.

#### Article 26

Where the CNS Mark certificates are obtained through fraudulent means, the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies shall revoke such certificates and request the certificates to be returned by the manufacturers.

Within two months, starting from the following day on which the revocation notice as stipulated in the preceding paragraph is served; manufacturer shall revoke the CNS Mark products prior to manufacturing and production, and the CNS Mark logo applied on their packages, containers, delivery notes or other relevant product information.

Within one year, starting from the following day on which the CNS Mark revocation notice as stipulated in paragraph 1 is served; manufacturer shall not make a new application for the CNS Mark for the same products subjected to previous revocation.

#### Article 27

Under any of the following circumstances, the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies shall rescind the CNS Mark certificates and request the registered manufacturers to return the certificates:

1. Where the required rectification involving marking has not been made within the specified time limit in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 5;
2. Where the CNS Mark fees are not paid;

3. Where the required rectification has not been made within the specified period or no application of product inspection in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 14, paragraph 2 of Article 16, paragraph 2 of Article 17, paragraph 3 of Article 22, or paragraph 1 of Article 24;
4. Where violations of Article 15, paragraph 4 of Article 16, paragraph 4 of Article 17, paragraph 3 of Article 19, or paragraph 3 of Article 21 are made, regarding prohibition of the use of CNS Mark;
5. Where violation of Article 18 is made, regarding prohibition of evasion, impediment or denial;
6. Where report was not made in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of Article 19 and any of the circumstances prescribed in Article 20 is found, or report was made but production not resumed within the period prescribed in paragraph 2 of Article 19;
7. Where the use of CNS Mark is not reported to the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies according to paragraph 4 of Article 19;
8. Where the registration of quality management systems has been rescinded, or the QM registration scope has been reduced, not covering the CNS Mark of the factory or product which is unable to acquire other QM registrations;
9. Where the application for the second review is not made in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 24 or noncompliance still exists after the second review;
10. The CNS Mark registered manufacturers use the CNS Mark in the products without approval of using CNS Mark and fail to make rectification within the time limit specified by the dedicated authority in charge of standards; or the same manufacturer makes the same violation again within five years;
11. The same products of CNS Mark registered manufacturers are verified by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies as non-compliance with national standards for two times within one year; or
12. Other violations of mandatory rule of law and of serious circumstance as certified by the dedicated authority in charge of standards.

#### Article 28

Within two months starting from the following day on which the rescission notice as stipulated in the preceding article is served, the CNS Mark registered manufacturers shall revoke the CNS Mark products prior to manufacturing and production, and the CNS Mark logo applied on their packages, containers, delivery orders or other relevant product information.

Within six months, following the day after the CNS Mark rescission notice has been served as mentioned in the

preceding article; the CNS Mark registered manufacturers shall not make a new application for the CNS Mark for the same products subjected to previous rescission.

#### Article 29

Under any of the following circumstances, the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies shall rescind the CNS Mark certificates and request that the certificates be returned:

1. Where the registered manufacturers apply for cancellation of the CNS Mark certificates;
2. Where the applicable national standards are rescinded;
3. Where the product is announced to be removed from the CNS Mark Product List;
4. Where the company or business registration certificate or factory registration certificate of the registered manufacturer is revoked, rescinded or cancelled by relevant authorities;
5. Where the registered manufacturers are dissolved or close their business.

The CNS Mark products that comply with national standards and are manufactured prior to the date of rescission mentioned in the preceding paragraph may continue to bear the CNS Mark.

#### Chapter 4 Recognition

#### Article 30

Regarding the qualification, condition, application procedures, assessment, term of recognition, revocation, rescission and related administrative matters involved in the recognition of testing laboratories, the Regulations Governing Recognition of Designated Testing Laboratories for Commodity Inspection shall apply.

The scope and specific requirements of recognition for testing laboratories shall be announced by the dedicated authority in charge of standards.

#### Article 31

Once receiving application of product inspection from CNS Mark registered manufacturers, the recognized testing laboratories shall take samples from the manufacturing plant of the CNS Mark registered manufacturers to conduct product inspection in accordance with national standards. The inspection reports shall be prepared and provided to the CNS Mark registered manufacturers, as well as the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies for references. If necessary, the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies may hold on-site checks in testing laboratories.

#### Article 32

A QM certification body (hereinafter referred to as the applicant) that applies for recognition shall be qualified for any of the following criteria:

1. Being accredited by Taiwan Accreditation Foundation (hereinafter referred to as the Accreditation Foundation); or

2. Being accredited by an accreditation body that is located in Taiwan or the same country as the applicant and that is a member of the Multilateral Recognition Arrangements (MLA) of the International Accreditation Forum, Inc. (IAF) or the Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (PAC).

If there is no accreditation body in an applicant's country, or if the accreditation body located in the applicant's country has not yet become a member of the IAF MLA or PAC MLA, the accreditation can be obtained from other IAF MLA or PAC MLA member accreditation bodies located in other countries. When the accreditation body located in an applicant's country becomes a member of the IAF MLA or PAC MLA, an applicant is required to obtain accreditation from this accreditation body within one year in order to retain recognition.

#### Article 33

The range of recognition as mentioned in the preceding Article sought by an applicant shall be limited to those covered in the CNS Mark Product List or in the accreditation scope by accreditation bodies mentioned in the subparagraphs of paragraph 1 of the previous Article.

#### Article 34

An applicant shall apply for recognition to the dedicated authority in charge of standards by submitting a completed application form and attaching a copy of an accreditation certificate.

A foreign applicant may authorize an agent who has a domicile or business place within the territory of Taiwan, the Republic of China, to submit the application.

If the application form and copy of accreditation certificate is presented in a language other than Chinese, their Chinese translation shall be submitted at the same time.

#### Article 35

The application for recognition mentioned in the preceding Article shall be granted if it is deemed complying with relevant provisions after review; otherwise, the application shall be rejected. The applicant may apply for the second review within two months following the day of receiving the rejection notice.

The term of validity of the recognition mentioned in the preceding paragraph is the same as the term of validity of the applicant's accreditation certificate. An applicant may apply for extension of the term of validity by submitting a new application form within a period of three months prior to the expiration of the recognition.

The extended term of validity of the recognition is also the same as the term of validity of the applicant's

accreditation certificate every time.

#### Article 36

The dedicated authority in charge of standards may request an applicant or recognized QM certification body to provide related documents or may dispatch its staff to conduct inspection of an applicant or certification body, where necessary. The applicant or certification body shall not evade, impede or deny such requests for inspection.

#### Article 37

If the recognized QM certification body's scope of accreditation has been reduced and the scope of recognition is affected; the recognized QM certification body shall apply with the dedicated authority in charge of standards for changes to the scope of recognition within three months.

#### Article 38

The recognized QM certification body will be informed when their registered manufacturers have obtained the CNS

Mark certificates issued by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies.

When performing surveillance visits to these manufacturers, the recognized QM certification body shall audit the

quality management systems of these manufacturers during annual surveillance visits to:

1. Ensure that the quality management of these organizations continues to comply with the requirements of specified quality management systems;
2. Ensure that the manufacturers maintain the most up-to-date versions of regulations and national standards applicable to the CNS Mark;
3. Ensure that the organizations establish adequate inspection plans for the CNS Mark products in accordance with related inspection standards and devote adequate resources for the continuous compliance of their quality management systems with the requirements.

A recognized QM certification body shall prepare surveillance audit reports and checklists during surveillance visits and send the documents to the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies within three months of a surveillance visit. If necessary, the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies may dispatch staff to jointly conduct the surveillance visits.

#### Article 39

A recognized QM certification body shall inform the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies of changes in the contents of the registration certificates or the invalidation of

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recognized registration certificates issued to its registered manufacturers that have been approved by the dedicated authority in charge of standards or the third-party certification agencies to use the CNS Mark.

Article 40

The dedicated authority in charge of standards shall revoke all or part of the recognition granted to a QM

certification body under any of the following circumstances:

- 1.If the recognition is obtained through fraudulent means; or
- 2.If the accreditation certificates have been revoked.

Article 41

The dedicated authority in charge of standards shall rescind all or part of the recognition granted to a QM

certification body under any of the following circumstances:

- 1.If a QM certification body applies for cancellation of recognition;
- 2.If the accreditation has been rescinded or the accreditation certificates have been cancelled; or
- 3.If violation of Articles 36-39 is found.

#### Chapter 5 The Third-Party Certification Agencies

Article 42

The third-party certification agencies (hereinafter referred to as “the applicant”) that apply for certification shall be qualified for any of the following criteria:

- 1.Governmental institutions, public or registered private colleges or higher educational institutions, or juridical persons of charity purposes;
- 2.Complete with CNS17065 system and acquire certificates of related fields from the Accreditation Foundation;
- 3.The testing laboratory has been recognized by the dedicated authority in charge of standards; and
- 4.Other criteria announced by the dedicated authority in charge of standards.

In addition to the above qualifications, the applicant shall be equipped with certification facilities, work site, personnel, management systems, information and knowledge about related certification scope requirements for the product certification process.

Article 43

Applicants qualified by the requirements as stipulated in the previous article, have to prepare the following

documents and apply with the dedicated authority in charge of standards:

- 1.Certificates and proof of documents for qualifications as stipulated in the previous article;
- 2.Organizational chart and list of functions of organization;
- 3.Institutional layout and geographical map of location;
- 4.QM brochure;
- 5.Framework and list of QM documentation system; and
- 6.Other documents as designated by the dedicated authority in charge of standards.

Where the above listed documents submitted by the applicant are not in conformance with related, the applicant

shall complement or rectify within one month; beginning on the following day, from the date the notification is served. Failure to complete the documents or rectification within the limited time, or still not conforming to regulations, the application will not be further reviewed.

#### Article 44

Since the documental review as stipulated in the previous article is completed for conformation, the dedicated authority in charge of standards shall conduct on-site checks. The application will be rejected when the on-site checks are confirmed as not conforming to the relevant regulations.

Where the above-mentioned documental review and on-site checks are confirmed to conform to Article 42, the

dedicated authority in charge of standards may process the price negotiation and the commission contract for CNS

Mark product certification, and issue the proof of document.

#### Article 45

Where the results of on-site checks stipulated in the preceding article are confirmed as not conforming to related regulations, the applicant may apply for re-inspection within two months; beginning on the following day, from the date the notification is served. Not applying for re-inspection or confirming as non-conforming to the relevant regulations will result in the application being rejected. The applicant may re-apply after three months beginning on the following day, from the date the rejection notice is served.

### Chapter 6 Supplementary Provisions

#### Article 46

For CNS Mark products, the dedicated authority in charge of standards shall announce the names of the CNS Mark registered manufacturers, their plants, their registered CNS Mark product names and other relevant information, and publish the information on the Standards Gazette. The same shall apply when the CNS Mark products are subject to a revocation or rescission decision.

#### Article 47

These Regulations shall take effect from the date of promulgation.

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