PRE-SHIPMENT VERIFICATION OF
CONFORMITY TO STANDARDS
VOC ETHIOPIA

1. VOC mandate

IS THE COUNTRY A MEMBER OF THE WTO?: ☐ Yes ☒ No

MANDATE AUTHORISED BY: Ministry of Trade of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

APPLICABLE REGULATION(S): Notice to importer published in Dec 2013

APPOINTED COMPANY (IES): Accredited Conformity assessment bodies member of IFIA meeting criteria of the Ministry of Trade

SCOPE OF DUTIES:
☒ Quality, Quantity
☐ Export market price (for foreign exchange purposes)
☐ Export market price (for Government information purposes)
☐ Customs classification per item
☐ Value for Customs purposes
☐ Assessment of import duties and taxes
☐ Import eligibility
☒ Documentary review
☒ Testing

MINIMUM VALUE SUBJECT TO VOC: N/A

PART SHIPMENTS: N/A

PRODUCTS FOR VOC: See Section 6

2. Inspection Order (I.O.) – The instruction for Bureau Veritas to verify conformity

I.O. NAME: Request for certificate (RFC)

ISSUED BY: Exporter or importer sent to BV office in region of export (see list of contacts)

DESTINATION INSPECTION: N/A

3. Inspection requirements/restrictions

SEALING OF F.C.L.CONTAINERS: N/A

SECOND-HAND GOODS: N/A

EXEMPTED GOODS: See Section 8

PROHIBITED GOODS: See Section 9

RESTRICTED GOODS: See Section 10
3. Inspection requirements/restrictions (cont‘ed)

LABELING AND SHELF LIFE REQUIREMENTS: As per the applicable
OTHER SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: N/A

4. Conformity requirements

Compliance of goods to applicable standards (refer to the list of standards of the notice to importers) shall be demonstrated with conformity documents issued by accredited entities.

A Non Conformity Report (NCR) will be issued for non-Compliant goods and for shipments that failing to complete the required assessment.

5. Reporting requirements

FINAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BY BUREAU VERITAS TO ISSUE REPORT:
- Request for certificate (RFC)
- Final invoice
- Conformity documents (test reports, quality certificates, analysis reports, etc.)

TYPE OF REPORT ISSUED:
- Certificate of Conformity (CoC) (compliance of the shipment to relevant standards)
- Non Conformity Report (NCR) (in case of discrepancies)

REPORT PURPOSE:
- Customs clearance

6. List of goods subject to VOC

- Group I – Food and food products
- Group II – Chemical products
- Group III – Textile, leather, plastic and Rubber
- Group IV – Mechanical Materials
- Group V – Electrical and Electronics

Refer to “Ethiopia – Compulsory Standards and Regulated products” for details

7. Inspection fees

Paid by exporters.

8. List of goods exempted from PVoC

- N/A

9. List of prohibited goods

- N/A
10. List of goods restricted from VoC

- N/A

11. Geographical inspection zones

- World-wide.