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AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY TESTING AND EVALUATION CENTER

October 2, 2024

TO: All AMTEC Clients and concerned individuals, institutions, and

Organizations

FROM: Adoption of Newly Adjusted Agricultural Machinery Testing and

Evaluation Center (AMTEC) Testing Fees

In line with our recent proposal for the adjustment of the AMTEC Testing Fees, to support the Center's testing and other technical operations, we formally announce that the Department of Agriculture (DA) and the University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB) have formally approved its adoption. The updated testing fees shall take effect on October 7, 2024, for all AMTEC laboratory and field testing operations.

Since the first advisory was released last January 2024, the proposal has undergone a series of revisions, and policy consultations among AMTEC's partners, clients, and other concerned stakeholders. The adjusted testing fees are aimed at helping the Center continue the quality of its mandated services.

The UPLB Office of the Chancellor (OC) approved the increase, through the endorsement of the UPLB Fiscal Policies and Operations Committee (FPOC), last September 24, 2024.

Meanwhile, the DA's Office of the Secretary released and circulated among DA constituents a Memorandum last September 4, 2024, to adopt the National Committee on Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization's (CAFMech) Resolution No. 18, Series of 2024 (*Recommending to the Department of Agriculture the Adoption of Newly Adjusted Agricultural Machinery Testing and Evaluation Center Testing Fees*"). The said memorandum was then transmitted to AMTEC last October 1, 2024.

In this regard, the adjusted testing fees is now official and will be implemented accordingly. The official list of the adjusted fees is attached to this memorandum and will be posted on our official website and relevant social media platforms.

For your guidance.

PROF. ARTHUR I. FAJARDO, PhD

Director, AMTEC, CEAT





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September 4, 2024

MEMORANDUM FROM THE DA SECRETARY

TO

REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

BUREAU DIRECTORS

HEADS OF ATTACHED AGENCIES AND CORPORATIONS

BANNER PROGRAM DIRECTORS

PROGRAM DIRECTORS OF LOCALLY AND FOREIGN-ASSISTED

PROJECTS

SUBJECT

ADOPTION OF THE NEWLY ADJUSTED AGRICULTURAL

MACHINERY TESTING AND EVALUATION CENTER (AMTEC)

NEWLY ADJUSTED TESTING FEES

During the 2nd Regular Meeting of the PCAF-National Committee on Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization (CAFMech) held on July 17, 2024, the Committee adopted Resolution No. 18, Series of 2024 "Recommending to the Department of Agriculture the Adoption of Newly Adjusted Agricultural Machinery Testing and Evaluation Center (AMTEC) Testing Fees." This adjustment comes in response to the financial challenges AMTEC has faced over the years, particularly in covering personnel salaries and other operational costs. The increase in testing fees is necessary to ensure the continued provision of AMTEC's essential services.

In this regard, you are hereby directed to adopt and implement the newly adjusted AMTEC testing fees. For your reference, attached are copies of the said resolution and list of AMTEC Newly Adjusted Testing Fees. For further inquiries, your office may coordinate with Engr. Em Bentulan at 8920-1788 or through the email address: pcaf.cafmech@gmail.com.

For your appropriate action.

FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR.

Secretary







Republic of the Philippines Department of Agriculture

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NATIONAL SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES MECHANIZATION

RESOLUTION NO. 18

Series of 2024

RECOMMENDING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE THE ADOPTION OF AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY TESTING AND EVALUATION CENTER (AMTEC) NEWLY ADJUSTED TESTING FEES

WHEREAS, on July 11, 1977, the Agricultural Machinery Testing And Evaluation Center (AMTEC) was established by virtue of a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) between the Department of Agriculture (DA) and the University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB);

WHEREAS, as stated in R.A 10601, otherwise known as the Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization (AFMech) Law of 2013, specifically Section 27, AMTEC was designated as the premier and reference testing center of agricultural and fisheries machinery in the country;

WHEREAS, Rule 27.1.1 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the said Law states that the UPLB-AMTEC, as the premier testing center of the country shall perform the following functions:

- a.) Assist the Bureau of Agricultural and Fisheries Standards (BAFS) in establishing standards specifications, test procedures and performance indices for agriculture machinery;
- b.) Conduct test and evaluation of agricultural machinery;
- c.) Publish and disseminate test standards and test results; and
- d.)Provide technical assistance in the establishment and operation of the testing centers in the country.

WHEREAS, the current testing fees may not reflect the present operational costs and economic conditions, thereby necessitating a review and adjustment of these fees;

WHEREAS, AMTEC has conducted a comprehensive study and presented adjusted testing fees to better align with the current financial requirements and to sustain the quality of the testing services that they provide;

WHEREAS, the adjusted fees are crucial to help maintain the sustainability, efficiency, and effectiveness of AMTEC's operations, ensuring that agricultural machinery testing and evaluation remains precise, up-to-date and will contribute to the advancement of agricultural mechanization in the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Philippine Council for Agriculture and Fisheries thru National Sectoral Committee On Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization recommends to the Department of Agriculture the adoption of the AMTEC newly adjusted testing fees;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Department of Agriculture consider the economic and operational rationale behind the adjusted testing fees and provide the necessary support for their approval;



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RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and the Director of AMTEC for their information and appropriate action.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED during the National Committee on Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization (CAFMech) 2nd Regular Meeting held on July 17, 2024 at Apacible B, 4/F New Building, DA Compound, Diliman, Quezon City.

> Signed for and on behalf of the Committee as per PCAF Guidelines on Engagement of Consultative Bodies 2023:

> > RODOLFO H. TAMAYO

Chairperson



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AMTEC 2024 Machine Testing Fees (List 1 – With previously published rates)

AGRICULTURAL MACHINES	TESTING FEE
Abaca Stripper	10,950.00
Agricultural and Fisheries Commodity Dryer	18,500.00
Agricultural Trailer	10,500.00
Biomass Shredder	9,000.00
Cacao Grinder	9,300.00
Cacao Huller	9,500.00
Cacao Roaster	9,700.00
Cassava Digger	8,750.00
Cassava Granulator	9,000.00
Chipping Machine	9,000.00
Coconut Coir Decorticator	12,900.00
Coffee Grinder	9,300.00
Coffee Huller	9,500.00
Coffee Pulper	10,500.00
Coffee Roaster	9,700.00
Combine Harvester (Rice)	14,800.00
Combine Harvester (Corn)	13,500.00
Composter	9,000.00
Corn Mill	13,500.00
Corn Picker	13,400.00
Dehusked Corn Dryer (up to 12 hrs)	17,800.00
Disc Harrow	7,300.00
Disc/Moldboard Plow	7,500.00
Electric Motor	20,000.00
Fans and Blowers	20,000.00
Feed Mixer	8,000.00
Fiber Decorticator	10,950.00
Field Cultivator	7,500.00
Forage Chopper	9,000.00



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AGRICULTURAL MACHINES	TESTING FEE
Furrower	7,500.00
Green Coffee Bean Sorter	10,900.00
Granular Fertilizer Applicator	16,000.00
Granule Applicator	16,000.00
Grater	10,500.00
Hammer Mill	9,000.00
Harvester (Self-propelled)	14,800.00
Heated-Air Mechanical Grain Dryer (≤2T)	17,800.00
Heated-Air Mechanical Grain Dryer (> 2T)	27,000.00
Laser Leveler	8,800.00
Lever-operated Knapsack Sprayer	19,500.00
Mechanical Rice Thresher	12,950.00
Mechanical Rice Transplanter (Ride-on)	10,700.00
Mechanical Rice Transplanter (Walk-behind)	10,700.00
Micromill	13,000.00
Mist Blower	13,000.00
Mist Blower (with solids)	13,300.00
Multicrop Juice Extractor	10,500.00
Multicrop Washer-Peeler	8,000.00
Mungbean Sheller	10,350.00
Paddy Seed Cleaner	10,900.00
Peanut Grinder	9,300.00
Peanut Sheller	12,350.00
Peanut Thresher	12,350.00
Power Sprayer for Mango	13,000.00
Power-operated Corn Sheller	12,350.00
Pulverizer	9,000.00
Pump	12,500.00
Pumpset	12,500.00
Rice Drum Seeder	16,000.00
Rice Mill (Single-pass)	14,450.00



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AGRICULTURAL MACHINES	TESTING FEE
Rice Reaper	12,800.00
Rotating Sprinkler Head	12,000.00
Seeder and Planter	16,000.00
Small Engine	20,000.00
Soil Auger	8,000.00
SPIS/SPFS	11,900.00
Spring-tooth Harrow	7,300.00
Subsoiler	7,500.00
Sugarcane Planter	16,000.00
Walking-type Agricultural Tractor	29,250.00
Weeder	8,750.00

AMTEC 2024 Machine Testing Fees (List 2 – Without previously published rates)

AGRICULTURAL MACHINES	2024 READJUSTED TESTING FEE
Adlai Mill	13,500.00
Agricultural Tramline	7,600.00
Backhoe	7,000.00
Bailing Machine	7,000.00
Banana Granulator	7,550.00
Banca	7,600.00
Bed Former	7,500.00
Boom Sprayer	9,800.00
Bottle Crusher/Glass Shredder/ Plastic Shredder	8,650.00
Briquetting Machine	10,250.00
Brown Rice Stabilizer	10,500.00
Brush Cutter	6,450.00
Cacao Kneader/Mixer	7,700.00
Cacao Refiner/Colloid Mill	9,300.00
Cage Roller	9,800.00
Carrot Washer cum Sorter	7,600.00



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Cashew Decorticator	9,300.00
Cashew Nut Cracker	12,350.00
Chisel Plow	9,800.00
Conveyor	7,600.00
Dozer	7,500.00
Drone Sprayer	9,700.00
Dumptrike	15,200.00
Egg Incubator	15,650.00
Feed Mill	15,400.00
Feed Pellet Mill	10,250.00
Fertilizer Spreader/Broadcaster	10,250.00
Fiber Stripper	10,950.00
Fish Deheader	7,400.00
Fogging Machine	7,000.00
Generator Set	11,300.00
Grain Collector	8,000.00
HWT	11,550.00
Levee Maker	7,500.00
Leveler	7,500.00
Loader	7,500.00
Mango Pulper	10,500.00
Mango Sprayer Nozzle	12,500.00
Manure Spreader	10,250.00
Milking Machine	8,800.00
Mobile Elevating Work Platform	10,000.00
Mulcher	7,500.00
Multi-crop Presser	8,650.00
Mungbean Sheller	12,350.00
Muscovado Milling Machine	8,650.00
Paddy Hauler	15,200.00
Pili Nut Cracker	7,100.00
Polisher	9,700.00
Portable Hay Baler/Baling Machine	7,000.00
Rice Fortification Machine	12,650.00
Rice Precision Seeder	10,250.00
Rotary Sifter	8,650.00



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AGRICULTURAL MACHINES	2024 READJUSTED TESTING FEE
Rotary Tiller	7,400.00
Rubber Creper	7,550.00
Seed Classifier	10,900.00
Sickle Bar Mover	14,800.00
Sickle Sword	14,800.00
Slicer	7,550.00
Soil Puddler	7,400.00
Solar Panel	11,900.00
Sorghum Grain Sorter	10,900.00
Sorghum Thresher	12,950.00
Soybean Grain Sorter	12,950.00
Sugarcane Cutter	14,800.00
Sugarcane Grabber	7,500.00
Sugarcane harvester	12,150.00
Truck-mounted Blower	26,000.00
Uprooter	8,750.00
Vacuum Dryer	17,800.00
Vermicast Sifter	10,900.00
Windmill	7,600.00
Winnower	10,900.00
Knapsack Sprayer (Engine-powered)	26,800.00
Knapsack Sprayer (Motor-powered)	30,600.00
Knapsack Sprayer (Dual)	31,750.00