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Dear Sir or Madam,

Re: Notice on Revision to Healthier Choice Symbol (HCS) Guidelines and Implementation Timeline

We refer to our earlier communication dated 27 June 2025 and 30 March 2026 on the revised HCS guidelines for salt, sauces, seasonings, instant noodles and cooking oils, where industry partners with existing HCS products affected by the changes were granted a two-year grace period until **30 June 2027** to meet the revised guidelines.

As announced on 3 October 2026, the implementation of the Nutri-Grade requirements for prepacked salt, sauces, seasonings, instant noodles and cooking oils has since been revised to **2028, instead of mid-2027**. The revised timeline will allow MOH and HPB time to further review product categories and refine measures in response to industry feedback. It will also provide industry with additional time to reformulate products, update labels and prepare for the measures.

In view of the revision to Nutri-Grade timelines, we are concurrently reviewing the grace period for HCS. More details will be shared at a later date. In the interim, we encourage manufacturers to reformulate products and apply for HCS ahead of time. HPB will continue to promote consumer take-up of HCS products via Eat Drink Shop Healthy and other campaigns.

For clarifications on

1. **Nutri-Grade**, email nutri-grade@hpb.gov.sg
2. **HCS**, email HPB_HCSadmin@hpb.gov.sg or call 6435 3715 / 6435 3905.

Thank you for your continued support of HPB's efforts in developing a healthier ecosystem with healthier food and drink options.

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