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EXEMPT

Tabacalera de Garcia S.A.S. Attention: Rhondetta Walton, Vice President Regulatory Compliance Altadis U.S.A. LLC 5900 North Andrews Avenue, Suite 600 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

### **FDA Submission Tracking Numbers (STNs):** EX0002041.PD1 – EX0002048.PD1

Dear Rhondetta Walton:

We completed review of your EX REQs<sup>1</sup> and determined that the new tobacco products listed in Appendix A are exempt from the requirements of Substantial Equivalence.<sup>2</sup>

Our finding does <u>not</u> mean we "approved" the new products specified in Appendix A; therefore, you may not promote or in any way represent the new tobacco products specified in Appendix A, or the labeling, as being "approved" by FDA (see Section 301(tt) of the FD&C Act).

To market the new tobacco products that are the subject of these EX REQs, the following must be met:

- 1. Submit a report under section 905(j)(1) (Abbreviated Report) that includes the information required in sections 905(j)(1)(A)(ii) and 905(j)(1)(B); and
- 2. Ninety days have passed since FDA <u>receipt</u> of your Abbreviated Report.

See Appendix B for FDA's recommended format for submitting of an Abbreviated Report.

In accordance with 40 CFR 1506.6, we will make your Environmental Assessment (EA) publicly available.

All regulated tobacco products, including the tobacco products specified in Appendix A, are subject to the requirements of the FD&C Act and its implementing regulations. It is your responsibility to ensure the tobacco products specified in Appendix A comply with all applicable statutory and regulatory requirements. FDA will monitor your compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Requests for Exemption from Substantial Equivalence (EX REQs) submitted under section 905(j)(3) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See section 910(a)(3)(a) of the FD&C Act

We encourage you to submit all regulatory correspondence electronically via the CTP Portal<sup>3,4</sup> using eSubmitter.<sup>5</sup> Alternatively, submissions may be mailed to:

Food and Drug Administration Center for Tobacco Products Document Control Center (DCC) Building 71, Room G335 10903 New Hampshire Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002

The CTP Portal and FDA's Electronic Submission Gateway (ESG) are generally available 24 hours a day, seven days a week; if the upload is successful, submissions are considered received by DCC on the day of upload. Submissions delivered to DCC by courier or physical mail will be considered timely if received during delivery hours on or before the due date<sup>6</sup>; if the due date falls on a weekend or holiday, the delivery must be received on or before the preceding business day. We are unable to accept regulatory submissions by e-mail.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Jokoh Regulatory Health Project Manager, at 301-796-0502 or Michael.Jokoh@fda.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Todd L. Cecil Digitally signed by Todd L. Cecil -S -S

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**Enclosures:** 

Appendix A – New and Corresponding Original Tobacco Products Subject of This Letter Appendix B – FDA's Recommended Format for Submitting an Abbreviated Report

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For more information about CTP Portal, see

https://www.fda.gov/tobacco-products/manufacturing/submit-documents-ctp-portal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> FDA's Electronic Submission Gateway (ESG) is still available as an alternative to the CTP Portal.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> For more information about eSubmitter, see <u>http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/FDAeSubmitter</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> https://www.fda.gov/tobacco-products/about-center-tobacco-products-ctp/contact-ctp

## Appendix A<sup>7</sup>

# New and Corresponding Original Tobacco Products Subject of This Letter

| Common Attributes     |   |                          |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------|
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| Submission date       | June 6, 2021  |                          |
| Receipt date          | June 6, 2021  |                          |
| Applicant             | Tabacalera de Garcia S.A.S.   |                          |
| Product manufacturer  | Tabacalera de Garcia S.A.S.   |                          |
| Product category      | Cigars  |                          |
| Product subcategory   | Unfiltered, Leaf-Wrapped Cigar  |                          |
| Attributes            | New Product   | Original Product         |
| STN                   | EX0002041.PD1   | GF1804167                |
| Product name          | Altadis 60 x 5 1/2 Figurado   | Onyx Reserve Torbusto    |
| Eligibility status    | Not applicable  | Grandfathered            |
| Package type          | Cellophane  | Cellophane               |
| Package quantity      | 1 Cigar   | 1 Cigar                  |
| Characterizing flavor | None  | None                     |
| Length                | 139.7 mm  | 139.7 mm                 |
| Diameter              | Not Provided  | Not Provided             |
| Wrapper material      | Whole leaf tobacco  | Whole leaf tobacco       |
| Additional property   | Ring Gauge: 60 (1/64 in)  | Ring Gauge: 60 (1/64 in) |
| Product modifications | <ul> <li>Addition/Deletion of tobacco additives:</li> <li>Deletion of (b) (4)</li> <li>Deletion of (b) (4)</li> <li>Deletion of (b) (4)</li> <li>Increasing/Decreasing the quantity of existing tobacco additives:</li> <li>Increasing the quantity of (b) (4)</li> </ul> |                          |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Brand/sub-brand or other commercial name used in commercial distribution.

| Attributes            | New Product  | Original Product                  |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| STN                   | EX0002042.PD1  | GF1805480                         |
| Product name          | Altadis 42 x 5 1/16 Parejo   | Don Diego Privada Petite Corona   |
| Eligibility status    | Not applicable   | Grandfathered                     |
| Package type          | Cellophane   | Cellophane                        |
| Package quantity      | 1 Cigar  | 1 Cigar                           |
| Characterizing flavor | None   | None                              |
| Length                | 128.52 mm  | 128.52 mm                         |
| Diameter              | Not Provided   | Not Provided                      |
| Wrapper material      | Whole leaf tobacco   | Whole leaf tobacco                |
| Additional property   | Ring Gauge: 42 (1/64 in)   | Ring Gauge: 42 (1/64 in)          |
| Product modifications | <ul> <li>Addition/Deletion of tobacco additives:</li> <li>Deletion of (b) (4)</li> <li>Deletion of (b) (4)</li> <li>Increasing/Decreasing the quantity of existing tobacco additives:</li> <li>Increasing the quantity of (b) (4)</li> </ul> |                                   |
| Attributes            | New Product  | Original Product                  |
| STN                   | EX0002043.PD1  | GF1907622                         |
| Product name          | Altadis 48 x 61/2 Figurado   | Seijas' Signature Series Perfecto |
| Eligibility status    | Not applicable   | Grandfathered                     |
| Package type          | Cellophane   | Cellophane                        |
| Package quantity      | 1 Cigar  | 1 Cigar                           |
| Characterizing flavor | None   | None                              |
| Length                | 165.1 mm   | 165.1 mm                          |
| Diameter              | Not Provided   | Not Provided                      |
| Wrapper material      | Whole leaf tobacco   | Whole leaf tobacco                |
| Additional property   | Ring Gauge: 48 (1/64 in)   | Ring Gauge: 48 (1/64 in)          |
| Product modifications | Addition/Deletion of tobacco additive<br>• Deletion of (b) (4)<br>• Deletion of (b) (4)<br>• Deletion of (b) (4)<br>• Deletion of (b) (4)<br>Increasing/Decreasing the quantity of<br>• Increasing the quantity of (b)                       | f existing tobacco additives:     |

| Attributes            | New Product  | Original Product                  |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| STN                   | EX0002044.PD1  | GF1906697                         |
| Product name          | Altadis 42 x 6 7/8 Parejo  | Por Larranaga Cetros              |
| Eligibility status    | Not applicable   | Grandfathered                     |
| Package type          | Cellophane   | Cellophane                        |
| Package quantity      | 1 Cigar  | 1 Cigar                           |
| Characterizing flavor | None   | None                              |
| Length                | 174.63 mm  | 174.63 mm                         |
| Diameter              | Not Provided   | Not Provided                      |
| Wrapper material      | Whole leaf tobacco   | Whole leaf tobacco                |
| Additional property   | Ring Gauge: 42 (1/64 in)   | Ring Gauge: 42 (1/64 in)          |
| Product modifications | <ul> <li>Addition/Deletion of tobacco additives:</li> <li>Deletion of (b) (4)</li> <li>Deletion of (b) (4)</li> <li>Increasing/Decreasing the quantity of existing tobacco additives:</li> <li>Increasing the quantity of (b) (4)</li> </ul> |                                   |
| Attributes            | New Product  | Original Product                  |
| STN                   | EX0002045.PD1  | GF1806057                         |
| Product name          | Altadis 46 x 4 1/4 Figurado  | Hoffman House Short Perfecto      |
| Eligibility status    | Not applicable   | Grandfathered                     |
| Package type          | Cellophane   | Cellophane                        |
| Package quantity      | 1 Cigar  | 1 Cigar                           |
| Characterizing flavor | None   | None                              |
| Length                | 107.95 mm  | 107.95 mm                         |
| Diameter              | Not Provided   | Not Provided                      |
| Wrapper material      | Whole leaf tobacco   | Whole leaf tobacco                |
| Additional property   | Ring Gauge: 46 (1/64 in)   | Ring Gauge: 46 (1/64 in)          |
| Product modifications | Addition/Deletion of tobacco addi<br>Deletion of (b) (4)<br>Deletion of (b) (4)<br>Deletion of (b) (4)<br>Deletion of (b) (4)<br>Increasing/Decreasing the quantity of<br>Increasing the quantity of   | ty of existing tobacco additives: |

| Attributes            | New Product  | Original Product                  |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| STN                   | EX0002046.PD1  | GF1805479                         |
| Product name          | Altadis 42 x 5 9/16 Parejo   | Don Diego Privada #4              |
| Eligibility status    | Not applicable   | Grandfathered                     |
| Package type          | Cellophane   | Cellophane                        |
| Package quantity      | 1 Cigar  | 1 Cigar                           |
| Characterizing flavor | None   | None                              |
| Length                | 141.29 mm  | 141.29 mm                         |
| Diameter              | Not Provided   | Not Provided                      |
| Wrapper material      | Whole leaf tobacco   | Whole leaf tobacco                |
| Additional property   | Ring Gauge: 42 (1/64 in)   | Ring Gauge: 42 (1/64 in)          |
| Product modifications | <ul> <li>Deletion of (b) (4)</li> <li>Deletion of (b) (4)</li> <li>Increasing/Decreasing the quantity of existing tobacco additives:</li> <li>Increasing the quantity of (b) (4)</li> </ul>            |                                   |
| Attributes            | New Product  | Original Product                  |
| STN                   | EX0002047.PD1  | GF1804376                         |
| Product name          | Altadis 52 x 5 Figurado  | Montecristo Serie V Mini Belicoso |
| Eligibility status    | Not applicable   | Grandfathered                     |
| Package type          | Cellophane   | Cellophane                        |
| Package quantity      | 1 Cigar  | 1 Cigar                           |
| Characterizing flavor | None   | None                              |
| Length                | 127 mm   | 127 mm                            |
| Diameter              | Not Provided   | Not Provided                      |
| Wrapper material      | Whole leaf tobacco   | Whole leaf tobacco                |
| Additional property   | Ring Gauge: 52 (1/64 in)   | Ring Gauge: 52 (1/64 in)          |
| Product modifications | Addition/Deletion of tobacco additives:<br>• Deletion of (b) (4)<br>• Deletion of (b) (4)<br>Increasing/Decreasing the quantity of existing tobacco additives:<br>• Increasing the quantity of (b) (4) |                                   |

| Attributes            | New Product   | Original Product                 |
|-----------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| STN                   | EX0002048.PD1   | GF1805274                        |
| Product name          | Altadis 48 x 7 1/2 Parejo   | Butera Royal Vintage Capo Grande |
| Eligibility status    | Not applicable  | Grandfathered                    |
| Package type          | Cellophane  | Cellophane                       |
| Package quantity      | 1 Cigar   | 1 Cigar                          |
| Characterizing flavor | None  | None                             |
| Length                | 190.5 mm  | 190.5 mm                         |
| Diameter              | Not Provided  | Not Provided                     |
| Wrapper material      | Whole leaf tobacco  | Whole leaf tobacco               |
| Additional property   | Ring Gauge: 48 (1/64 in)  | Ring Gauge: 48 (1/64 in)         |
| Product modifications | Addition/Deletion of tobacco additives:<br>• Deletion of (b) (4)<br>Deletion of (b) (4)<br>Increasing/Decreasing the quantity of existing<br>tobacco additives:<br>• Increasing the quantity of (b) (4)<br>to |                                  |

#### **Appendix B**

#### FDA's Recommended Format for Submitting an Abbreviated Report

Mock-up Tobacco Company

April 3, 2015

US Department of Health and Human Services Food and Drug Administration Center for Tobacco Products Document Control Center Building 71, Room G335 10903 New Hampshire Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002

**RE: Abbreviated Report** 

To Whom It May Concern:

Mock-Up Tobacco Company provides this Abbreviated Report at least 90 days prior to the introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce for commercial distribution of the new product, Cigarette Brand A. We submitted an Exemption Request (EX0000XXX) under section 905(j)(3) for the new product on February 1, 2015, and received a found exempt order from FDA on March 20, 2015.

I, John Doe, on behalf of Mock-Up Tobacco Company, certify that Cigarette Brand A is modified within the meaning of section 905(j)(3), the modifications are to a product that is commercially marketed and in compliance with the requirements of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, all the modifications are covered by exemptions granted by the Secretary pursuant to section 905(j)(3), and I have taken actions to comply with the requirements under section 907 that are applicable to the product. I certify that this information is true and correct, and that I am authorized to submit this on the company's behalf. I understand that under section 1001 of title 18 of the United States Code, anyone who knowingly and willfully makes a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement to the Government of the United States is subject to criminal penalties.

Sincerely, John Doe **[ink or digital signature]** Vice President Mock-Up Tobacco Company