Important Implementation Results of January 2019 Toxic and Chemical Substances Bureau,

Environmental Protection Administration, Executive Yuan

- 1. In response to the upcoming Chinese New Year holiday, an official letter to environmental protection bureaus was issued on the 8th of January, informing them to urge factories under their jurisdiction to ensure the safety of toxic and chemical substance relevant operations; enhance disaster prevention, preparedness and response relevant tasks; and review the support mechanism of toxic and chemical disaster joint prevention system.
- 2. On the 16th of January, the President announced that the *Toxic Chemical Substances Control Act* would be renamed the *Toxic and Concerned Chemical Substances Control Act*, and relevant amendments would be made thereto. According to Article 75 of amended provisions, all regulations and rules shall be implemented one year from the promulgation date, except for those related to national chemical substance management report, whistleblower and citizen report and rewards, which shall be implemented upon the promulgation date.
- 3. Conducted inspections on companies deemed as a source of food safety risk before Chinese New Year. Inspected 64 companies whose operations related to the 13 toxic and chemical substances of the first batch that were approved; and 50 companies in regard to their "4 must-have management". No violation was found.