#### THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF INVESTMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

#### NO: POR 13/2540

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF NINETEEN SUPPORTING INDUSTRIES

## In February 1997, the Board of Investment identified 14 supporting industries to be priority activities, now the Board deems it appropriate to promote additional priority activities.

The Office of the Board of Investment, under section 13 and section 16 of the Investment Promotion Act B.E. 2520, and with the consent of the Board of Investment on October 27, 1997, announced the following condition for promotion of Supporting Industries.

**1.** Revocation of OBOI Announcement No. 1/2540, Subject : 14 supporting industries eligible for special privileges.

**2.** Designate 19 supporting industries as follows which contribute to the advancement of technology development to be eligible for special privileges.

#### 2.1 Mould and Die

4.10 Manufacture of wood or metal-working machinery or machine tools (38230)

4.11 Manufacture of industrial machinery or equipment (38240, 38299)

## 2.2 Jig and Fixture

4.10 Manufacture of wood or metal-working machinery or machine tools (38230)

4.11 Manufacture of industrial machinery or equipment (38240, 38299)

## 2.3 Forging

2.18 Manufacture of forged steel parts (37120)

## 2.4 Casting with the use of Induction furnace

2.17 Manufacture of iron and steel casting (37120)

## 2.5 Toolings

4.10 Manufacture of wood or metal-working machinery or machine tools (38230)

4.11 Manufacture of industrial machinery or equipment (38240, 38299)

## 2.6 Cutting Tools

4.10 Manufacture of wood or metal-working machinery or machine tools (38230)

4.11 Manufacture of industrial machinery or equipment (38240, 38299)

#### 2.7 Grinding Tools

4.10 Manufacture of wood or metal-working machinery or machine tools (38230)

4.11 Manufacture of industrial machinery or equipment (38240, 38299)

## 2.8 Sintered Products

4.8 Manufacture of fabricated metal products, including metal parts for automotive and electronic products (38199)

#### 2.9 Surface Treatment

4.28 Surface Treatment (38198) Projects in zone 1 must be located in industrial estates or industrial zones promote by BOI.

## 2.10 Heat Treatment

4.29 Heat Treatment (38198)

- Batch Type Furnace
- Continuous Type
- Induction Furnace
- Vacuum Furnace

Projects in zone 1 which use cyanide must be located in industrial estates or industrial zones promoted by BOI

#### 2.11 Center for Precision Machining only with computerized system

4.8 Manufacture of fabricated metal products, including metal parts for automotive and electronic products (38199)

# 2.12 Electronic Connector only projects with the production of metal and plastic components.

5.7 Manufacture of parts or supplies used for electronic apparatus.

#### 2.13 NI-CD batteries, Rechargeable Batteries, and other similar kinds of batteries.

5.4 Manufacture of batteries or cells (38392) Project in zone 1 must be located in industrial estates or industrial zones promoted by BOI.

#### 2.14 Engineering Plastic

6.12 Manufacture of plastic or plastic-coated products (35601,35609) Engineering plastics products or parts, the parts or products must be strong enough to withstand collision, and be used as components in cars, machines, electric or electronic products, and should be made of engineering plastics material i.e. Acetal, Nylon-6/6, Polycarbonate (PC), and Polyphenylene sulfide (PPS).

#### 2.15 Machinery

4.9 Manufacture of agriculture machinery or equipment (38220)

4.10 Manufacture of wood or metal-working machinery or machine tools (38230)

4.11 Manufacture of industrial machinery or equipment (38240, 38299)

5.1 Manufacture of electrical industrial machinery or apparatus (38310)

#### 2.16 Measurement Equipment for Industries

4.1 Manufacture of hand tools (38110)

5.6 Manufacture of electronic products (38191)

#### 2.17 Anti Lock Brake System (ABS)

4.23 Manufacture of engine parts, transmissions, brakes, steering, or suspension systems (38439)

#### 2.18 Electronic Fuel Injection System.

4.23 Manufacture of engine parts, transmissions, brakes, steering, or suspension systems (38439)

## 2.19 Substrate for Catalytic Converter

4.25 Manufacture of other vehicle parts (38413,38432,38439,38440)

3. These 19 supporting industries indicated above are eligible for following privileges :-

3.1 Exemption of Corporate income tax for 8 years, regardless of locations

3.2 Exempt in of Import duty for machinery, regardless of locations

4. They will be eligible for the following privileges :-

4.1 Foreign investors may hold majority or all the shares with no minimum requirement for export. However, applications must be submitted by December 31, 1999.

4.2 No restriction on locations

**5.** Promoted projects are permitted to extend the time frame to import mould and die until December 31, 1999.

**6.** In the case where the interpretation of this announcement is not clear, the final decision will be made by the Secretary-General.

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