NOTICE TO THE TRADE – DeCA NOTICE 19-16

SUBJECT: Category Review Notification – Asian

The purpose of this notice is to advise Industry the Sales Directorate will begin the category review for Asian in March 2019. Appointments/presentations will be accepted from March 26 through April 4. The attached template identifies the categories to be reviewed, category review objectives, and relevant information.

Questions regarding this review may be directed to Mr. James Dillon, Merchandising Specialist, at james.dillon@deca.mil or 804-734-8000 extension 4-8473, or Ms. Loretta Williams, Business Analyst at loretta.williams@deca.mil or extension 8-6135.

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Attachment
As stated
Category: ASIAN

Universe of Items Included (e.g. D/C/G codes):
- Category definition based on current and previous published planograms (to include items that have been phased out).
- Regional items (Include / Exclude):
  - Exclude
- Optional items (Include / Exclude):
  - Exclude
- One-time buy/seasonal items (Include / Exclude):
  - Exclude
- Club packs (Include / Exclude):
  - Excluded

Category Segmentation (if different than D/C/G codes identified above):
- Category Segmentation will be based on Industry best practices

Category Review Month (MM/YYYY):
- March 2019

Date Last Completed (MM/YYYY):
- Approximately six years ago

Category Manager:
- Barbara Merriweather

Implementation / Scorecard to be Managed by:
- James Dillon/Barbara Merriweather

Category Role (e.g. Destination, Routine, Convenience):
- Routine

Marketing Strategy:
- To be determined by Industry/DeCA during review. Discussion to include, but not limited to, topics below:
  - Number of Promotions Per Year:
  - Seasonal Promotions?:
  - Theme Event?
  - Method (i.e. Mandate):

Category Objectives:
- Meet category objectives below and Plan for Trends and best retail practices.
- Streamline to meet pack out

(Examples of Objectives - Decrease # of SKU’s, Streamline Assortment, prioritize space for high velocity items, meet minimal pack out)

Special Factors/Notes:
- Focus on Consumer segmentation

(Examples - Focus on emerging category trends, new item introductions, consumer segmentation…)

Evaluation Criteria:
- Current Category POG Size (in Linear Feet):
  - K5 (e.g. 40, 48, 52, 56, 60, 64, 68, 76ft )
  - K4 (e.g. 40, 48, 52, 56, 60, 64, 68, 76ft )
  - K3 (e.g. 12, 16, 20, 24 ft.)
  - K2 (e.g. 20, 24, 28, 32ft)
  - K1 (e.g. 12,16ft)
  - 32 ft
  - 24ft
  - 16 ft
  - 8ft
  - 4 ft

Preferred Period Ending for Data (MM/YYYY):
- 02/2019

Preferred Timeframe for Data (e.g. 26 Weeks)
- 52 & 26 Weeks

Data - Geography (e.g. Worldwide, ConUS)
- Conus

Primary Ranking of Data (Packages, Dollars):
- Dollars

Secondary Ranking of Data (Packages, Dollars):
- Units

Comparison Retail Market (e.g. All Other Channels**, Remaining Markets)
- Stock Assortment RM - Patron Saving AOC