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SUBJECT

DENR MANUAL OF AUTHORITIES ON TECHNICAL MATTERS

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 366 (Directing a Strategic Review of the Operations and Organizations of the Executive Branch and Providing Options and Incentives for Government Employees Who May Be Affected By the Rationalization of the Functions of the Agencies of the Executive Branch) and to effectively implement the new DENR Organizational Structure which shifted from the sectoral approach to functional set-up in its regional and field offices, a DENR Manual of Authorities on Technical Matters is hereby adopted to delegate authorities and delineate functions in the Central and Field Offices.

All Offices of DENR, including its bureaus, attached agencies, foreign-assisted and special projects and programs and field offices shall adhere to the provisions of this Manual which form part of this Order.

This Order supersedes DENR Administrative Order No. 98-24 and all other inconsistent orders and circulars involving delegated authority.

Actions taken by the Undersecretaries, Assistant Secretaries and Bureau Directors pursuant to and consistent with the authorities delegated by the Undersigned, prior to the approval of this Manual of Authorities on Technical Matters, are hereby affirmed.

This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation and upon acknowledgment of receipt of a copy thereof by the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR), UP Law Center.

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Secretary

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#### **MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY**

THRU: The Undersecretary and Chief of Staff

FROM: The Undersecretary

Policy, Planning and Foreign Assisted Programs

SUBJECT : Manual of Authority (Technical Matters)

DATE :

This refers to the **Manual of Authority on Technical Matters** revised based on agreements reached and agreed upon during the Executive Committee Meeting held on May 02, 2016. The contents and coverage of the hereto attached manual reflects the agreements, the inputs and recommendations of the concerned Bureaus and Offices, and the instructions of the Secretary.

We are respectfully submitting the Manual of Authorities on Technical Matters for your consideration with the initials/concurrence of the Undersecretaries, Assistant Secretaries, and Bureau Directors for your consideration and approval.

**Recommending Approval** 

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#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### **OBJECTIVE**

This Manual shall define the limits of authority at various levels of management from the Secretary to the lowest levels of supervision. All other authorities not included in this Manual remain with the Secretary unless otherwise delegated.

However, the exercise of authority, even if delegated, shall remain the prerogative of the Secretary.

#### **DEFINITION OF AUTHORITIES**

The action of approving authorities provided in this Manual implies that all necessary review and recommendatory actions have been completed. In cases where further approval of higher authorities and agencies external to the Department is necessary, the signature of approving authorities listed in the Manual should not be taken to mean final approval.

#### **DELEGATED AUTHORITY**

Delegated authority set forth in this Manual cannot be further delegated without prior approval of the Secretary or the President of the Philippines in cases where authority is delegated to the Secretary.

The authority pertains to the position rather than the person and is consistent with the approved structure of the Department. In the absence of the authorized incumbent, authority passes to his/her authorized replacement. In the absence of an authorized replacement, authority reverts to the immediate supervisor.

Authority granted to each position is limited to transactions within its areas of responsibility, consistent with the Department policies and government rules and regulations.

#### **ACRONYMS**

ATC Authority to Close

AAP Administrative Adjudication Proceedings

BMB Biodiversity Management Bureau

CAA Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999

CARP Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program

CBFMA Community Based Forest Management Agreement

CCO Chemical Control Order

**CDMP** Comprehensive Development Management Plan

CDO Cease and Desist Order

CDM Clean Development Mechanism

CEMCRR Certificate of Environmental Management and Community Relations

Records

CENRO Community Environment and Natural Resources Office/r

CITES Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild

Fauna and Flora

CLRFSC Contingent Liability Rehabilitation Fund Steering Committee

**CRMF** Community Resource Management Framework

CS Certificate of Stewardship

CTPO Certificate of Tree Plantation Ownership

**CWR** Certificate of Wildlife Registration

**CoV** Certificate of Verification

DAO DENR Administrative Order

**DENR** Department of Environment and Natural Resources

**DENRO** Deputy Environment and Natural Resources Officer

**DMO** DENR Memorandum Order

**DMPF** Declaration of Mining Project Feasibility

**DNA** Designated National Authority

**DP** Decommissioning Plan

ECA Environmentally Critical Areas

**ECC** Environmental Compliance Certificate

EIS Environmental Impact Statement

EMB Environmental Management Bureau

EMB RD Environmental Management Bureau Regional Director

**EO** Executive Order

**EP** Exploration Permit

**EPEP** Environmental Protection and Enhancement Program

**ERDB** Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau

**ERDS** Ecosystems Research and Development Service

FLAg Forest Land Use Agreement

**FLAg-T** Forest Land Use Agreement for Tourism

FLGMA Forest Land Grazing Management Agreement

**FLGMP** Forest Land Grazing Management Plan

**FLO** Formal Lifting Order

FMB Forest Management Bureau

FMR Final Mine Rehabilitation

**FMRDP** Final Mine Rehabilitation and Decommissioning Program

**FNSP** Field Network Survey Parties

FTAA Financial or Technical Assistance Agreement

GPS Global Positioning System

GSQP Government Seabed Quarry Permit

**HWG** Hazardous Waste Generator

IAOP Integrated Annual Operations Plan

IEE Initial Environmental Examination

IFMA Integrated Forest Management Agreement

IPAF Integrated Protected Areas Fund

ISAG Industrial Sand and Gravel

JVA Joint Venture Agreement

**LEP** Land Evaluation Party

LGU Local Government Unit

LMB Land Management Bureau

MA Mineral Agreement

MC Memorandum Circular

MGB Mines and Geosciences Bureau

MGB RD Mines and Geosciences Bureau Regional Director

MOA Memorandum of Agreement

MPP Mineral Processing Permit

MPSA Mineral Production Sharing Agreement

**MRFC** 

NAAQSSAPIS National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Source specific Air

Pollutants for Industrial Source

NAMRIA National Mapping and Resource Information Authority

NESSSAP National Emission Standards for Source Specific Air Pollutants

NIPAS National Integrated Protected Areas System

NOV Notice of Violation

NTFP Non-Timber Forest Products

ODS Ozone Depleting Substance

OSSC One-Stop-Shop Committee

P/CMRB Provincial/City Mining Regulatory Board

PAB Pollution Adjudication Board

PAMB Protected Area Management Board

PASu Protected Area Superintendent

PCL Priority Chemical List

PCO Pollution Control Officer

PCSD Palawan Council for Sustainable Development

PD Presidential Decree

PEIR Potential Environmental Impact Report

PEMO Provincial Environmental Management Officer

PENRO Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office/r

PEPP Philippine Environmental Partnership Program

PLTP Private Land Timber Permit

PMPIN Pre-Manufacturing and Pre-Importation Notification

PSSMA People's Small-Scale Mining Area

PSI Pre-Shipment Importation

PTO Permit to Operate

**QP** Quarry Permits

**R&D** Research & Development

RDE Research Development and Extension

RPA Regional Panel of Arbitrators

SCRP Safe Closure and Rehabilitation Plan

SDENRO Special Deputy Environment and Natural Resources Officer

SDMP Social Development and Management Program

SEP Special Exploration Permit

SIFMA Socialized Integrated Forestry Management Agreement

SLUP Special Land Use Permit

SMEP Special Minerals Extraction Permit

SMP Special Mines Permit

SMR Self Monitoring Report

SPLTP Special Private Land Timber Permit

**SQI** Small Quantity Importation

SSMC Small-Scale Mining Contract

SSMP Small-Scale Mining Permits

**TLO** Temporary Lifting Order

TPSA Timber Production Sharing Agreement

TSD Treatment, Storage and Disposal

TSI Timber Stand Improvement

**USEC** Undersecretary

**UTM** Universal Transverse Mercator

WCP Wildlife Collector's Permit

WFP Wildlife Farm Permit

WGP Wildlife Gratuitous Permit

WMP Watershed Management Plan

WPP Wood Processing Plant

Forestry Related (Cutt	ing Permits)	
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
1. Rattan Cutting License	Negotiated Contracts	USEC for Field Operations
	Original and Bidded contracts	USEC for Field Operations
	Renewal	Regional Director
2. Non-Timber Forest Products License (except	Original	Regional Director
Rattan )	Renewal	Regional Director
3. Tree Cutting Permit	Inside resettlement areas, reservation, etc.	Regional Director
	Trees in public and private places that pose danger to the human lives and/or properties as evaluated by DENR	Regional Director
4. Cutting of Trees within	Naturally grown trees	USEC for Field Operations
Forest Lands	- Infested/dead trees	Regional Director (with recommending approval from the Head of Research Center)
	Planted Trees	
	- Covered with existing tenure	Regional Director
5. Cutting of Trees within Titled/Private Lands	Naturally Grown Trees  - Non-premium species (PLTP)  - All premium species (SPLTP)	USEC for Field Operations
	Planted Premium Species	Regional Directors

Fo	Forestry Related (Cutting Permits)		
	ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
6.	Cutting of Trees within Public Places	PD 953 (Plaza, public parks, school premises, political subdivisions or any other place for purposes of public safety; those which will be affected by government projects i.e. road construction/widening, school and other infrastructure projects)	Regional Director
7.	Cutting/Harvesting/Collecting of NTFP within Forest Lands (except rattan)		Regional Director

Forestry Related (Transport of Forest Products)		APPROVING
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	<b>AUTHORITY</b>
. Issuance of Certificate of Origin	Certificate of Timber Origin - Logs, timber and lumber	CENRO/Regional Director for NCR with confirmation from FMB
	<ul> <li>Veneer and other forest-based products</li> <li>Ordinary Minor Forest Products (NTFP)</li> <li>Any forest products, raw or in finished form, except wildlife</li> </ul>	CENRO
	Planted trees in private lands - CoV - Registered plantation in private lands -CTPO • Self-monitoring Forms (SMF)	CENRO
	NTFP (Minor Forest Products) Certificate of Non-Timber Forest Product Origin	
	Certificate of Transhipment	CENRO
	- Any forest products, raw or in finished form except wildlife	Regional Director for NCR
2. Private Seed Production Areas	Accreditation	Regional Director with recommending approval of Head, Research Center
3. Transport of Non-Timber Forest Products such as Bamboo coming from Private Lands	Certification	CENRO

#### SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS

#### Forestry Related (Chainsaw)

ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
Issuance of Related Permits on Chainsaw	Import Authority	Regional Director
	Permit to purchase, transfer of ownership and/or sell, re-sell, (dispose/distribute) chainsaw	CENRO Regional Director for NCR
	Certificate of Registration of Chainsaw	CENRO Regional Director for NCR
	Revocation of registration, permit and authority to lease, rent or lend permit of chainsaw	PENRO Regional Director for NCR

DAO No. 2003-24 dated 30 June 2003, "Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Chainsaw Act of 2002 (RA 9175) entitled "An Act Regulating the Ownership, Possession, Sale, Importation and Use of Chainsaws, Penalizing Violations Thereof and for Other Purposes."



SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS			
Forestry Related (Exportation/Importation)			
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY	
Issuance of Related Permits on Exportation of Forest Products	Export Authority  - Plantation log - Lumber from planted trees - Finished wood products - Finished non-timber forest products	Regional Director	
	Export Compliance Certificate	CENRO	
	<ul> <li>Plantation log</li> <li>Lumber from planted trees</li> <li>Finished wood products</li> </ul>	Regional Director for NCR	
2. Issuance of Related Permits on Importation of Forest Products	Import Authority (Certificate of Registration as Importer)  Imported wood based materials such as logs, lumber, veneer, plywood, other wood based panels, poles and piles pulpwood and wood chips	Regional Director	

Forestry Related (Forest Product Processing)		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
<ul> <li>Issuance of Related Permits on Wood Processing Plant, such as:</li> <li>Poles and Piles</li> <li>Lumber</li> <li>Veneer</li> <li>Plywood</li> <li>Block board</li> <li>Wood cement board</li> </ul>	Authority to install/establish and operate new WPP provided that there is 5- year supply contract based on annual rated capacity  - Original/Expansion - Renewal	USEC for Field Operations USEC for Field Operations
<ul><li>Paper Board</li><li>Pulp and Paper</li><li>Wood Chips</li></ul>	Milling Agreement  Log Supply Contract	Regional Director Regional Director
<ul><li>Wood Pellets</li><li>Mini-Sawmill</li><li>Kiln Dryer</li><li>Resaw</li></ul>	Lumber Dealer Permit  Transfer of location of WPP  - From one region to another region - Within the region	Regional Director  USEC for Field Operations  Regional Director
	Replacement/additional accessories	Regional Director
. Rattan Processing Plant	Permit to operate	Regional Director

Forestry Related (Tenurial Instruments)		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
Issuance of Tenure     Instrument (Original and     Renewal)	Community-Based Forest Management Agreement	USEC for Field Operations
	Certificate of Stewardship within CBFMA	
	- Below 3 has - More than 3 has to 5 has	CENRO PENRO
	FLGMA	USEC for Field Operations
	IFMA	USEC for Field Operations
	SIFMA	USEC for Field Operations
	FLAg-T Purposes	USEC for Field Operations
	FLAg	USEC for Field Operations

Forestry Related (Suspension/ Cancellation of Licenses/ Permits)			
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY	
Issuance of Suspension     Orders		USEC for Field Operations	
2. Lifting of Suspension Order		Secretary	
3. Issuance of Cancellation/ Reinstatement of Order		Secretary	

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS		
Forestry Related (Land Classification)		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
Certification of Status of Land Classification whether Alienable and Disposable or Forestlands		CENRO Regional Director for NCR

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS  Land Related (Leases)		
Issuance of Authorities to Conduct Bidding and Lease of Public Lands and al Lands under Act 3038	s	Secretary
2. Approval of Appraisal of Public Lands and all Lands under Act 3038	Leases for agricultural purposes:  - Below 5.0 has More than 50 has.  Leases for commercial and industrial lands	PENRO Regional Director Secretary
3. Approval of Appraisal, Conduct of Public Bidding, and Foreshore Lease Agreements and Renewal	Foreshore land leases	Secretary
4. Approval of Provisional, Revocable, and Temporary Permits for A& D and Foreshore Lands	Original and Renewal	Regional Director
5. Approval of Lease of Patrimonial Properties unde R.A. 477 and R.A. 1361	r	Secretary

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS		
Land Related (Sales)  ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
<ol> <li>Issuance of Authorities for Disposition of Public Land and all Lands under Act 303</li> </ol>	s	Secretary
2. Approval of Appraisal of Public Lands and all Lands under Act 3038	Agricultural Lands:  - Below 5 has - More than 5 has  Commercial and Industrial Lands - Below 1,000 sq.m.	PENRO Regional Director PENRO
1 . C Ai-ol of	- More than 1,000 sq.m.	Regional Director Regional Director
<ol> <li>Approval of Appraisal of Residential Lands</li> </ol>	Townsite Sales Application	Regional Director
4. Notices of Sales of Public and Government Lands and Conduct Public Bidding		PENRO Chief, Land Patents and Deeds Division, NCR
5. Appraisal of Friar Land and Patrimonial Properties	Friar Lands under Act 1120 as amended	LMB Director
Patrinomai i Toperties	Patrimonial Properties under R.A. 477 and R.A. 1361	Secretary
6. Approval of Deed of Conveyance of Friar Land, and Deed of Sale of Patrimonial Properties under R.A. 477 and R.A. 1361	r	Secretary
7. Approval of Deed of Conveyance of Sale under Proc. 172		LMB Director
8. Approval of Deeds of Conveyances/Sales of Government Lands	Php 50.0M and below awarded thru public bidding and negotiated sales	Secretary

Land Deleted (Onders)		
Land Related (Orders)  ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
Issuance of Order of     Revocation	Patents not yet registered with Register of Deeds	Regional Director
2. Issuance of Order of Cancellation	For Public Land applications provided that no order of approval had been earlier issued by higher level officials	PENRO Assistant Regional Director for Technical Services for NCR
3. Issuance of Order of Rejection	For Public Land applications	CENRO Division Chief, Licenses, Patents and Deeds Division for NCR
4. Issuance of Order of Deputation of Land Inspectors	Original (1 year) and renewal	Regional Director
5. Issuance of Order of Transfer of Leasehold Rights		Regional Director
6. Issuance of Order of Award	Foreshore land leases:  - Below 1,000 sq.m 1,000 sq.m. to 10,000 sq.m.  For Sales:  - Up to 1,000 sq.m More than 1,000 sq.m.	Regional Director Secretary  PENRO Regional Director

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS  Land Related (Orders)		
Cont (Issuance of Order of Award)	For homestead and free patents:  - Up to 5 has - More than 5 has.  For residential free patents	PENRO Regional Director  PENRO Regional Director for NCR
	Insular Government Property Sales Application (IGPSA)/Gov't. Sales Application (GSA):	
	<ul><li>Up to 5 has</li><li>More than 5 has</li></ul>	Regional Director Secretary

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS		
Land Related (Public Land Applications)  ACTIVITY  LIMITS OF AUTHORITY  APPROVING AUTHORITY		
Transfer of PLA or Deeds of Sale/Mortgages	Patented Lands:  - Up to 5 has - More than 5 has up to 12 has - More than 12 has Unpatented Lands: - Up to 5 has	PENRO Regional Director Secretary
	- More than 5 has up to 12 has - More than 12 has	Regional Director Secretary
2. Approval of Patents/Deeds, Re-issuance and Reconstitution of Patents	For Sales:  - Up to 1,000 sq.m More than 1,000 sq.m. to 5 has - More than 5 has  For homestead and free patents:  - Up to 5 has - More than 5 has up to 10 has	PENRO Regional Director Secretary  PENRO Regional Director
	- More than 10 has For residential free patents	PENRO Regional Director for NCR
	Insular Government Property Sales Application /Gov't. Sales Application - Up to 5 has	Regional Director Secretary /USEC for Field
3. Conduct of Bidding	- More than 5 has  For sale or lease of public lands and patrimonial properties	Operations PENRO Regional Director for NCR

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS  Land Related (Public Land Applications)		
4. Special Patents	Public School Sites	PENRO
	All other purposes	PENRO
	Lands disposed under RA 1361	Secretary
5. Approval of Proclamations Reserving Use of Public and Private Lands and Granting Ownership to Other Agencies/Entities		President

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS  Land Related (Lands Cases)		
Approval of Decisions and Orders	Claims and conflicts over public lands	Regional Director
a. Cases Originally Filed at Region/PENRO/CENRO	Interlocutory orders during investigation	PENRO
Regional Environment	Orders of investigation of cases involving unpatented lots	PENRO
	Orders in amicably settled cases and involving patented and/or registered lots	Regional Director
	Orders in amicably settled cases and those that were investigated ex-parte	PENRO
	Order dropping the name of Survey Claimant subject of protest	Regional Director
b. Cases Filed at LMB	Claims and conflicts over friar lands	LMB Director
	Lands under Proc. 172 and other patrimonial properties	
	Interlocutory orders during investigation	Chief, Legal Division, LMB
	Orders of investigation involving Friar Lands, lands under Proc, 172 and other patrimonial properties	LMB Director

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS		
Land Related (Lands Ca ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
c. Appeals	Appeals involving claims/ conflicts over public lands, friar lands and other patrimonial properties	Secretary/Undersecretary or Assistant Secretary concerned
	Interlocutory orders during appeal	ASEC for Legal Services
	Orders in amicably settled cases and those that were investigated ex-parte	ASEC for Legal Services
d. Final Decisions	Orders of execution on final decision involving Friar Lands, lands under Proc. 172 and other patrimonial properties	LMB Director
	Orders of execution on final decision on land cases over public lands	Regional Director

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS  Biodiversity Management (Wildlife Resources Trade and Conservation Permits)		
1. CITES Permit <sup>1 2</sup>	RA 9147	
	(All CITES-listed wildlife species under the jurisdiction of DENR, such as all terrestrial plant and animal species, all turtles and tortoises and wetland species, including but not limited to crocodiles, waterbirds and all amphibians and dugong)	BMB Director
2. Wildlife Certification 2.1 Export 2.2 Import 2.3 Re-export	All wildlife species not listed in CITES	Regional Director
3. Wildlife Farm Permit (WFP)	Upon recommendation by the Inter-Agency (Regional) Wildlife Management Committee	Regional Director
4. Wildlife Collector's Permit (WCP)	Upon recommendation by the Inter-Agency (National/Regional) Wildlife Management Committee	
	- Collection covers several regions	BMB Director
	- Collection covers single region	Regional Director

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For CITES listed marine and aquatic wildlife species the approving authority is the BFAR Director.
<sup>2</sup> For CITES-listed species, both marine and aquatic resources and terrestrial that originated from/directly imported into the Province of Palawan the approving authority is the PCSD Executive Director

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS  Biodiversity Management (Wildlife Resources Trade and Conservation Permits)		
<ul> <li>5. Wildlife Gratuitous Permit</li> <li>a. Scientific Research on Wildlife</li> <li>i. Involving Foreign Entity/Institution/ Individual or a Filipino citizen Affiliated with a Foreign Institution</li> </ul>	With approved MOA	BMB Director
ii. Involving Local Non- Government/ Academic Institutions	Covers several regions with approved MOA  Covers one region and with approved MOA	Secretary  Regional Director
b. Thesis and Dissertation of Students Affiliated with Local Academic Institutions and Government-Initiated Projects	Covers several regions  Covers one region	BMB Director Regional Director
6. Certificate of Wildlife Registration	Wildlife applied for registration is acquired from legal sources or obtained in accordance with the provisions of RA 9147 (Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act)	Regional Director

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS		
Biodiversity Management (V	Wildlife Resources Trade and Con LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	nservation Permits) APPROVING AUTHORITY
7. Wildlife Special Use Permit		
a. Animal/Plant Shows or Exhibition Using Wildlife	For wildlife species under the jurisdiction of DENR	
	- If wildlife specimens to be used will be coming from other countries; and importation is covered by appropriate import permit/certification	BMB Director
	- If the wildlife specimens to be used already exist in local facilities and registered with the DENR	Regional Director
b. Educational/ Documentation for Commercial Purposes		BMB Director
c. Collection from the Wild for Direct Trade Purposes	Permit should cover only wildlife not included in the national list of threatened based on policy issuance by the Secretary. Permits can be issued only upon recommendation with the Regional Wildlife Management Committee	Regional Director
8. Local Transport Permit	Covered by Agreements, WCP, WGP, WFP, CWR, WSUP, Import Permit/Certification	PENRO Regional Director for NCR
9. Clearance to Operate Zoological Parks, Botanical Gardens and Other Similar Establishments for Recreation, Education and Conservation	Establishment of Zoological Parks, Botanical Gardens and Other Similar Establishments for Recreation, Education and Conservation that are under the management jurisdiction of the DENR as embodied under Section 4 of Republic Act 9147 and only upon clearance by the local government unit concerned	Regional Director

SUBJECT: LICENSES, PATENTS AND DEEDS  Biodiversity Management (Wildlife Resources Trade and Conservation Permits)		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
10. Adopt-A-Wildlife Species Program	AAWS Projects that will cover more than one political region or which implementation shall be national in scope  AAWS projects that will cover one political region	USEC for Field Operations  Regional Director
11. Designation of Private/Public Wildlife Facilities as Wildlife Rescue Center  (Only technically, financially capable and registered private and public facilities should be designated as Wildlife Rescue Centers, which will serve as temporary shelter for confiscated, donated, abandoned wildlife)	Will involve temporary custody of wildlife confiscated/seized by the DENR or WEO and/or other authorized law enforcement agencies, those wildlife voluntarily turned-over to the DENR including rescued wildlife	USEC for Field Operations
12. Bio-prospecting Undertaking	For wildlife species and biological and genetic resources under the management jurisdiction of the DENR as specified under Section 4 of Republic Act 9147, such as all terrestrial plant and animal species, all turtles and tortoises and wetland species, including but not limited to crocodiles, waterbirds, and all amphibians and dugong	Secretary
13. Clearance for the Introduction, Reintroduction and Restocking of Endemic and Indigenous Wildlife	Upon recommendation by the National Wildlife Management Committee	Secretary

Biodiversity Management (Wildlife Resources Trade and Conservation Permits)		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
14. Disposition of Confiscated/ Donated Wildlife, Wildlife By-Products and Derivatives 15. MOA		Secretary
15.1 Wildlife Research and Other Conservation- Related Undertaking	- Involving foreign entity/institutions/ individual or a-Filipino citizen affiliated with a foreign institution	Secretary
	- Local Non-Government Organization and Academic Institution which research undertakings will cover several regions	Regional Director
	- Local researchers/ entities which research undertaking will cover one region	Regional Director

Land Related (Surveys)			
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY	
1. Cadastral Surveys and Public Land Subdivision Projects	Orders of Bidding and Contracts	Regional Director	
	Survey Order	Regional Director	
	Orders Final Inspection	Regional Director	
	Order of payment by contract	Regional Director	
2. Certifications of Approved Survey Plans and Survey Records		Chief, surveys and Mapping Division	
3. Survey Orders/Survey Authority	Delineation of political boundaries if the LGUs concerned are within the same Region	Regional Director	
	Delineation of political boundaries if it involves inter Regional boundary conflict	LMB Director	
	Political Boundary Surveys of a barangay of the same LGU	Regional Director	
	Isolated survey	Regional Director	
	Surveys of LGU lands	Regional Director	
	Reclamation land survey	Regional Director	
	Townsite Reservation and Group Settlement Survey	Regional Director	
	National Parks and Protected Areas and Watershed Reservation if area covers 2 or more Regions	LMB Director	
	National Parks and Protected Areas and Watershed Reservation if area is within the same Region	Regional Director	

SUBJECT: SURVEYS AND MAPPING			
Land Related (Surveys)			
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY	
Cont. (Survey Orders/Survey Authority)	Subdivision of cadastral lots not being the subject of judicial registration	PENRO	
	Survey of lands covered by a special law giving jurisdiction to the LMB	LMB Director	
	Isolated/original and simple subdivision survey of public lands	CENRO Regional Director for NCR	
	Foreshore Lands Surveys:  - Survey Authority if area is 12 hectares and below - Survey Authority if area is 12 hectares up to 100 hectares - Survey authority if area is more than 100 hectares  Survey Plan Cancellation orders  Subdivision of Public Land,	CENRO ARD for Technical Services Regional Director ARD for Technical Services ARD for Technical Services	
4. Approval of Maps and Plans and Issuance of Certificate of Acceptance	cadastral lots and isolated surveys Subdivision/Consolidation Surveys of Titled Lands Political boundary surveys and other isolated surveys	ARD for Technical Services  ARD for Technical Services	
5. Certificates of Acceptability of a Survey Project	Cadastral survey returns of main and subsidiary project controls, political boundary controls Cadastral Survey returns of Lot Survey	ARD for Technical Services PENRO	

SUBJECT: SURVEYS AND MAPPING  Land Related (Surveys)			
Certification of Land Area of LGUs	Issuance of Land Area certification to DBM and LGUs for Internal Revenue Allotment purposes	LMB Director	
2. Certificate of Completion	Sketching, monumenting and lot surveys phases of work of cadastral survey project by contract	PENRO	
3. Certificate of Geodetic Control Points		Chief, Surveys and Mapping Division	
4. Certification on Registration of Survey Instruments	Original registration	LMB Director	
	Renewal except Total Station and GNSS	Regional Director	
5. Authority to Print Survey Forms		LMB Director	

SUBJECT: CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT			
Forestry Related (Management/Operations Plans)			
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY	
1. Approval of Plans	25 years Comprehensive Development and Management Plan (CDMP) - FLGMA - IFMA - FLAg - FLAgT	USEC for Field Operations	
	5 years Operations/Work Plans/ Integrated Operation Plans - FLGMA - IFMA - CBFM	USEC for Field Operations	
	Watershed Management Plan - More than 2 regions - Cover one (1) region	USEC for Policy, Planning and Foreign Assisted Programs Regional Director	
	Community Resource Management Framework for CBFM	Regional Director to be affirmed by the USEC for Field Operations	

Forestry Related: Land Class	sification	
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
Certification of Status of Land Classification whether Forestland or Alienable and Disposable land		PENRO Regional Director for NCR

Biodiversity Management (Protected Area and Critical Habitat Management)		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	AUTHORITY
I. Issuance of Special Uses     Agreement within Protected     Areas		USEC for Field Operations
2. Issuance of Permits		
a. Extractive Activities such as Cutting of Trees (either Planted or Naturally Growing) within Multiple Use Zones of Protected Areas (if not classified as National Parks)		USEC for Field Operations
b. Non Extractive activities, i.e., Filming, Video Taping, Spiritual and Other Recreational Activities; Use of Protected Areas for Scientific Purpose Prior to the Issuance of Research Agreements		Regional Director
3. Issuance of Certificates of Appointment of PAMB Members		Secretary
4. Approval of IPAF Disbursement		
a. PA Retention Income Account		Regional Director
b. IPAF Special Account in the General Fund		Finance Management Service Director

Biodiversity Management (Protected Area and Critical Habitat Management)		
5. Execution of Agreements for Management of Protected Areas a. PAs with PAMB	Regional Director	
b. PAs without PAMB		
6. Approval of Protected Areas  Management Plan	Regional Director as Chair of PAMB subject for review and affirmation by the Office of USEC for Field Operations	
7. Issuance of Certification on Status of Land Classification for National Park/Protected Area	Regional Director	
8. Execution of Agreements Involving Technical Assistance for Biodiversity Conservation (with or without funding from the Donor) a. Site Specific	Secretary	
b. National in Scope		
9. Issuance of Official List and Issuance of Certificate of Recognition as Tenured Migrants	PENRO	
10. Approval of Protected Area Community- Based Resource Management Agreement	Secretary	

SUBJECT: CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT  Biodiversity Management (Protected Area and Critical Habitat Management)			
			11. Affirmation of Community Resource Management Plan  Regional Director
12. Approval of Ecotourism  Management Plan	Regional Director		
13. Establishment of Critical Habitat	Secretary		
14. Approval of the Critical Habitat Management Plan	Regional Director		

SUBJECT: CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT  Biodiversity Management (Cave Resources Management and Protection			
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY	
1. Cave Classification/ Re-Classification	NIPAS/Non-NIPAS	Secretary	
2. Cave Visitor Fees		Regional Director	
3. Cave Visitor Permit		Regional Director	
4. Collection of Biological Cave Resources/Derivatives/By- Products for Research or Government-Initiated Projects (Gratuitous Permit)	Foreign  Local which covers 2 or more regions	Secretary Secretary	
	Local which covers 1 region	Regional Director	
5. MOA on Management of Caves and Cave Resources Conservation, Management and Protection (for non- NIPAS sites)		Regional Director	
6. Clearance Prior to the Issuance of any Mining or Quarrying or Extraction Permit in Caves		Secretary	

#### SUBJECT: CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT Ecosystems Research and Development Related (Research and Development Activities Within DENR) **APPROVING** LIMITS OF AUTHORITY **ACTIVITY AUTHORITY ERDB** Director 1. National Integrated Research and Development and Extension Programs on **ENR ERDB Director** 2. Bureau Research and **Development Prioritization** Systems Including the Allocation of Resources **ERDB Director** Long Term Program/Project 3. Research Proposals Proposals for ERDB Funding **ERDB** Director Long Term Program/ Project Proposals for Other NGAs funding Secretary With International Agencies/ 4. Agreements Instructions Secretary With National Government Agencies (NGAs) and/or private **Entities** (Depending on Signatories from other Party/ies)

#### SUBJECT: CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT Ecosystems Research and Development Related (Research Development and **Extension Implementation) LIMITS OF APPROVING ACTIVITY AUTHORITY AUTHORITY** Programs/Projects/ Research ERDB Director 1. Supervision Activities of the Bureau Programs/Projects Research Research Center Head **Activities of Research Centers** RDE Programs/ Projects of the **ERDB Director** 2. Monitoring and Evaluation Bureau Programs/Projects Research Research Center Head **Activities of Research Centers** 3. Research Coordination National/Inter-Agency **ERDB Director** Research Centers Research Center Head 4. Technical Assistance Technical Assistance covered by **ERDB** Director MOA in the Main Office and Research Centers Walk-In Requests **ERDB Director** Sharing/Disclosure of Research **ERDB** Director 5. Technology Transfer **Findings**

<b>Ecosystems Research and Dev</b>	elopment Related (Expe	erimental Sites)
ACTIVITY  LIMITS OF AUTHORITY  AUTHOR		
Designation of New RDE     Experimental Sites		Secretary
2. Establishment of Demonstration Areas within Experimental Sites		ERDB Director

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<b>ACTIVI</b>	ГҮ	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
1. Deputy Environment of the American Policy of the Control of the	esources ife	For a minimum of one (1) year - For Individuals:	Regional Director
		- For members of groups/organizations with community & up to region-wide membership	Regional Director
		- For members of groups/organizations with multi-regional and/or nationwide membership	USEC for Field Operations
2. Special Deput Environment a Natural Resou Officer	nd	Specific period as stated in the deputation order - Region (based on recommendation of ARD for Technical Services)	Regional Director
		<ul> <li>Central Office (based on the recommendation of the concerned RD and/or ERDB Director)</li> </ul>	Secretary

SUBJECT: ENFORCEMENT			
Administrative Adjudication for Natural Resource Products			
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY	
1. Apprehension	Issuance of apprehension receipt	DENR Officers (Officials and employees of DENR charged with enforcement of ENR laws, rules and regulations)	
		Deputies (other government officials and private citizens duly deputized by the DENR Secretary or his/her duly authorized representative)	
		Members of law enforcement agencies	
		Private citizen as provided by law	
2. Seizure	Issuance of seizure receipt	CENRO/PENRO or any of the designated officer actually assigned to the area of apprehension	
3. Hearing	Conduct of AAP	CENRO	
4. Confiscation Order or Release and its Motion for Reconsideration	Confiscation/Release Order and Order for MR	Regional Director	
5. Appeal and Motion for Reconsideration	Resolution of Appeal	Secretary	

#### SUBJECT: ENFORCEMENT Forestry Related (Disposition of Forest Products/Equipment) **LIMITS OF** APPROVING **ACTIVITY AUTHORITY AUTHORITY** - More than 500 cu.m. Secretary 1. Disposition of Confiscated Regional Director Forest Products thru Public - 50.01 cu.m. to 500 cu.m. Auction With clearance from USEC for Field Operations PENRO - 30.01 cu.m. to 50.00 cu.m. - Less than 30.00 cu.m. CENRO Secretary 2. Disposition of Confiscated - More than 100 cu.m Forest Products for Public Regional Director - 30.01 cu.m. to 100 cu.m. Infrastructure thru Donation With clearance from USEC for Field Operations - 10.01 cu.m to 30 cu.m **PENRO CENRO** - Less than 10 cu.m. Secretary 3. Disposition of Confiscated Equipment/s or Apprehended Vehicle/s

Chemicals Registration and Importation Clearance		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
. Small Quantity Importation Clearance	SQI Clearance for 1000 kg and below according to MC 2015-002	EMB Regional Director
Pre-Manufacture and Pre- Importation Notification Compliance	PMPIN Compliance Certificate for above 1000kgs. according to DAO 92-29	EMB Director
B. Priority Chemical List	Compliance Certificate for 48 Chemicals according to Section 15 of DAO 2005-27	EMB Director
I. Registration for Importer/User/ Manufacturer of Regulated Chemicals under Chemical Control Order	Registration Certificate (DENR MC 2002-12, DAO 1997-39, DAO 1997-38, DAO 2000-02, DAO 2013-25, DAO 2005-25, DAO 2013-24, DAO 2004-01 and EMB MC2015-004)	
4.1 Cyanide and Cyanide Compounds	According to registered volume and allowable use	EMB Regional Director
4.2 Mercury and Mercury Compounds	According to registered volume and allowable use	EMB Regional Director
4.3 Asbestos	According to registered volume and allowable use	EMB Regional Director
4.4 Ozone Depleting Substance	According to Sec. 7 of DAO 2013-25 with quota allocation based on set phase out schedule for HCFC-141B, HCFC-22, HCFC-123 only	EMB Director
4.4.1 ODS (for Dealers, Re-sellers and Retailers)	According to Sec. 9 of DAO 2013- 25 and MC 2005-03	EMB Regional Director
4.5 Lead and Lead Compounds	According to existing use Restricted use within 3 years for architectural decorative and household paint (2016) and 6 years for industrial paints in 2019	EMB Director
4.6 Polychlorinated Biphenyls	According to Section 4 of DAO 2004-01 and EMB MC 2015-004	EMB Director / EMB Region Director

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT  Chemicals Registration and Importation Clearance		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
5. Importation under CCO	Importation Clearances (DENR MC 2002-12, DAO 1992-39, DAO 1992-38, DAO 2002-02, DAO 2013-25, DAO 2013-24)	
5.1 Cyanide and Cyanide Compounds	According to registered volume and allowable use	EMB Regional Director
5.2 Mercury and Mercury Compounds	According to registered volume and allowable use	EMB Regional Director
5.3 Asbestos	According to registered volume and allowable use	EMB Regional Director
5.4 Ozone Depleting Substance	According to Sec. 8 of DAO 2013-25 with quota allocation based on set phase out schedule for HCFC-141B, HCFC-22, HCFC-123	EMB Director
5.5 Lead and Lead Compounds	According to registered volume and allowable use	EMB Director
6. ODS Alternatives 6.1 Importer Registration	Registration Certificate (MC 2005-03)	EMB Director
6.2 Pre-Shipment Importation	PSI Clearance (MC 2005-03)	EMB Director
7. Chemical Export Based on the List under Annex III (Prior Informed Consent Procedure) of Rotterdam Convention and EU List of Priority Chemicals	Explicit Consent for Notification	EMB Director
8. PCL Exemption	Exemption Certificate covered under Sections 7.1 and 7.2 of EMB MC 2014-003 on PCL with CCO and PCL with less than or equal to one (1) percent concentration in mixture	EMB Director
9. Polymer Exemption	Exemption Certificate (Section 22 of DAO 1992-29)	EMB Director

Chemicals Registration and	Importation Clearance	
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
10. Notice of Violation	According to MC 2005-003	EMB Director /
		EMB Regional Director
10.1 Non-Registration		
Pursuant to the Provisions		
of Title II, DAO 29 series		
of 1992 under Priority		
Chemical List, Pre-		
Importation and Pre-		
Manufactured Notification		
and Chemical Control		
Order		
10.2 Operating with an		
Expired		
Permit/Clearance		
10.3 Non-Compliance with		
the Conditions of the		
Permit/Clearance issued		
10.4 Misrepresentation,		
Inaccurate or		
Inconsistent		
Data/Information		
Submitted		
10.5 Environmental Damages and Other Forms of		
Environmental  Degradation		

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT			
Haza	ardous Waste Manageme	ent	
	ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
. Ir	mportation		
1	.1 Registration of Importers of Recyclable Materials	Registration Certificate according to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director
1	.2 Importation for Recyclable Materials	Importation Clearance (DAO 2013-22)	EMB Director
2. E	Export		
2	2.1 Export of Hazardous Waste	Export Clearance (DAO 2013-22)	EMB Director
3. F	Hazardous Waste Generator		
3	3.1 Registration as HWG	Registration Certificate (DAO 2013-22)	EMB Regional Director
	Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facility		
4	4.1 Registration as TSD Facility	Registration Certificate (DAO 2013-22)	EMB Director
4	4.2 Cancellation of Registration as TSD Facility	Letter of Cancellation (DAO 2013-22)	EMB Director
5. I	Hazardous Waste Transporter		
4	5.1 Registration as Hazardous Waste Transporter	Registration Certificate (DAO 2013-22)	EMB Director
	5.2 Permit to Transport Hazardous Waste	Transport Permit (DAO 2013-22)	EMB Regional Director

Hazardous Waste Management		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
Notice of Violation		
6.1 Failure to Provide Appropriate Information to the DENR upon Registration	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.2 Submission of Documents Containing False Information	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.3 Failure to Comply with Reporting Requirements under the Law	According to DAO 2013-22-	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.4 Issuance of NOV for HWG Failure to Comply with the Conditions of a Permit, except those specified herein	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Regional Director
6.5 Failure to Comply with Labelling Requirements	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.6 Failure to Place Placards on the Conveyance/ Vehicle	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.7 Failure to Comply with Subpoena or Subpoena Duces Tecum Issued by the Secretary or his Duly Authorized Representative	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.8 Failure to Provide Required Information within the Period Mandated by these Regulations	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.9 Violation of Any of the Provisions on Any of the Governing Rules and Regulations	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director

zardous Waste Managen	nent	
6.10 In Addition to the Above Stated Policies, Violation of Any of the Provisions on Any of the Governing Rules and the Rules Governing the Contingency Program shall Result in the Immediate Suspension of the Permit Issued to said Violator	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.11 Failure to Submit a Completed Copy of the Hazardous Waste Manifest Form to the DENR	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.12 Performs the Functions of a TSD Facility without the Appropriate TSD Facility Permit	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.13 Conveys or Transports Hazardous Wastes without the Proper Manifest Forms	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.14 Conveys or Transports Hazardous Wastes without Proper Labels and Placards	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.15 Conveys or Transports Hazardous Wastes in Transports not Suitable for the Hazardous Waste being Transported	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.16 Accepts Hazardous Wastes without the Proper Manifest	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director

Hazardous Waste Management		
6.17 Stores, Recycles, Reprocesses, Treats or Disposes of Hazardous Wastes at the TSD facility without the Appropriate TSD Facility Permit	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.18 Failure to Notify the DENR of the Residuals Generated as Consequence of its Recycling, Reprocessing or Treatment Activities	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.19 Importing Recyclable Materials Containing Hazardous Substances without Securing Import Clearance from the DENR	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.20 Exporting Hazardous Wastes or Materials Containing Hazardous Substances without Securing an Export Clearance from the DENR	According to DAO 2013-22	EMB Director / EMB Regional Director
6.21 Imposition of Administrative Fines	According to Section 11 "Prohibited Acts and Penalties" of DAO 2013-22	EMB Director /EMB Regional Director

SUE	SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT Air Quality Management		
Air			
	ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
P	ermit to Operate on Air ollution Source and Control acilities/ Installation	Permit to Operate (DAO 2004-26)	EMB Regional Director
N S A S S	Emissions which Exceed lational Ambient Air Quality tandards for Source Specific Air Pollutants for Industrial ource and National Emission tandards for Source Specific Air Pollutants	According to DAO 2000-81	EMB Regional Director
- Pi	Violations of CAA rovisions other than the mission Standards	According to DAO 2000-81 & DAO 2000-81	EMB Regional Director
N	ertificate of Conformity for lew Motor Vehicle for Type pproval	According to DAO-2015-04	EMB Director
	ertificate of Conformance or Emission Test Equipment	According to DAO 2000-81	EMB Director
	nposition of Administrative ines	According to PAB Resolution 2003-04, DAO 2005-10 & DAO 2000-81	PAB Chairperson/EMB Regional Director
So	ccreditation of 3 <sup>rd</sup> party ource Emission Testing irms	According to DAO 2013-15	Secretary/EMB Director

Water Quality Management		
ACTIVITY LIMITS OF AUTHORITY		APPROVING AUTHORITY
1. Wastewater Discharge Permit	According to DAO 2005-10	EMB Regional Director
<ul> <li>Notice of Violation</li> <li>Issuance Prohibited Act under RA 9275</li> </ul>	According to DAO 2005-10	EMB Regional Director

S	SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT Solid Waste Management		
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_	ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
1.	Approval of Safe Closure and Rehabilitation Plan of Open and Controlled Dumpsites	SCRP submitted by LGU- Acknowledgement Letter (DAO 2006-09)	EMB Regional Director
2.	Notice of Violation for SWM Facility	Section 9 of Republic Act 9003, DAO 34-2001	EMB Regional Director
3.	Cease and Desist Order for SWM Facility	CDO (Section 9 of Republic Act 9003, DAO 34-2001)	EMB Regional Director



SUBJECT: ENVIRONMI	JBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT		
Recognition/Accreditation	of Environmental Partners		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY	
Recognition of Environmenta     Laboratories	Certificate of Recognition (DAO 98-63)	Secretary	
2. Registration of PCB Laboratories	Certificate as EMB Registered PCB Laboratory (MC 2014-007)	EMB Director	
3. Accreditation of the Pollution Control Officers	Certificate of Accreditation (DAO 2014-02)	EMB Regional Director	
4. Recognition of Training Organization/Institution	Certificate of Recognition(DAO 2014-02)	EMB Director	
<ul> <li>5. Philippine Environmental Partnership Program</li> <li>- Track 1</li> <li>- Track 2</li> </ul>	DENR Official Seal of Approval (DAO 2003-14 & MC 2010-003) Environmental Consent Agreement (ECONA) (DAO 2003-14 & MC 2010-003)	Secretary  EMB Director /  EMB Regional Director	
6. Revised Industrial ECOWATCH System	Administrative Incentives (DAO 2003-26)	EMB Director/EMB Regional Director	

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT  Clean Development Mechanism (CDM)		
Host Country Approval for CDM Projects (Letter of Approval)	According to E.O. 320 and DAO 2005-17	DENR as Designated National Authority (Secretary)

SUBJECT: ENVIRONM	SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT	
Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC)		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
Environmental Compliance     Certificate     1.1 Issuance/Non-issuance	Co- located projects,     including amendment/s     Single projects including amendment/s     Single projects     Non-ECPs within     Environmentally Critical     Areas¹     Certificate of Non-Coverage	Secretary/ EMB Director  EMB Director/ EMB Regional Director  EMB Director/
2. Cease and Desist Order		EMB Regional Director  Secretary/EMB Director/EMB  Regional Director
3. Imposition of Fines/ Penalties <sup>2</sup>	<ul> <li>Operating without an ECC</li> <li>Violations of the conditions in the ECC</li> <li>Non-compliance with any of the commitments made in the EIA</li> <li>Non-submission of reports as required</li> </ul>	EMB Director/ EMB Regional Director
4. Issuance of Notices (including Notice/s of Violation)	All types of violations on PD 1586 and related issuances	EMB Director EMB Regional Director

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subject to thresholds established under the Revised Procedural manual for DAO 2003-30 (IRR of PD 1586) and Administrative Order No. 42 by the President of the Philippines (November 2, 2002)

<sup>2</sup> Must comply with the due process requirement of notice and hearing/conference prior to issuance of any order of

imposition

Pollution Adjudication Board (PAB)		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
1. Notice of Violation	According to DAO 2000-81 & DAO 2005-10	EMB Director/ EMB Regional Director
2. Interim Cease and Desist Orde for 5 days	r According to Section 7 of PAB Resolution I-C	EMB Regional Director
3. Prima facie Evidence that the Emission or Discharge of Pollutants Constitutes an Immediate Threat to Life, Public Health, Safety or Welfare, or to Animal or Plant Life, or greatly exceeds the Allowable DENR Standards	According to Section 7 of PAB Resolution I-C	EMB Regional Director
. Cease and Desist Order Finding, on the Basis of Inspection or Monitoring Reports, that the Emissions or Discharged Sewage or Waste	Violations of prohibited act under RA 9275	Secretary / PAB
Constitutes an Immediate Threat to Life, Public Health, Safety or Welfare, or to Anim or Plant Life, or greatly excee the Allowable DENR Standar	ds	Secretary
5. Temporary Lifting Order	In relation to CDO issued under RA 9275	Secretary/PAB
	In relation to CDO issued under RA 8749	Secretary/PAB
6. Formal Lifting Order		Secretary/PAB
7. Imposition of Fines	Violations of prohibited act under RA 9275	Secretary/PAB
	Violations of emission standards under RA 8749	Secretary/PAB
	Administrative Violations (PD 1586 / RA 6969 / RA 9003)	EMB Director / EMB Regio Director

#### SUBJECT: MINES AND GEOSCIENCES Permits/Special Permits **APPROVING** LIMITS OF AUTHORITY **ACTIVITY AUTHORITY** MGB Regional Director Upon prior clearance by the MGB 1. Exploration Permit Director Application **MGB Director** 2. EP Renewal Application MGB Regional Director **EP Application** 3. Order Approving Transfer or Assignment **MGB** Director EP MGB Regional Director 4. Notice of Withdrawal of EP **Application** MGB Regional Director 5. Notice of Relinquishment of EP MGB Regional Director 6. Area Status and Clearance for **EP Application** Undersecretary for Field 7. Decision/Resolution on the **Operations** Appeal from Denial of Area Clearance **MGB Director** Original issuance and renewals 8. Special Mines Permit Application (for Mineral **Production Sharing** Agreement applicant only) Extraction of onshore sand and Secretary 9. Special Mineral Extraction gravel for government projects Permit Application Exploration of marine sand and Secretary 10. Special Exploration Permit gravel for government Application reclamation projects Secretary Extraction of marine sand and 11. Government Seabed Quarry gravel for government Permit (GSQP) Application reclamation projects **MGB Director** 12. Authority to Verify Minerals

#### SUBJECT: MINES AND GEOSCIENCES Tenurial Instruments- Financial or Technical Assistance Agreement (FTAA) **LIMITS OF** APPROVING **ACTIVITY AUTHORITY AUTHORITY** 1. Financial or Technical (Note: Approval is vested in the President pursuant to RA Assistance Agreement No. 7942) Application MGB Director 2. Renewal of Exploration Period MGB Director 3. Temporary EP pending approval of the FTAA MGB Director 4. Conversion of FTAA into Mineral Agreement 5. Approval of Transfer or **FTAA Application** MGB Regional Director Assignment **FTAA** (Note: Approval is vested in the President pursuant to RA No. 7942) 6. Notice of Withdrawal MGB Regional Director FTAA Application **FTAA** MGB Director 7. Notice of Relinquishment of MGB Regional Director FTAA Area 8. Area Status and Clearance for MGB Regional Director **FTAA Application** Undersecretary for Field 9. Decision/Resolution on the **Operations** Appeal from Denial of Area Clearance MGB Director 10. Contract Area Expansion 11. Development/Utilization MGB Director Work Program

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Tenurial Instruments-Mineral Agreement		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
Mineral Agreement     Application		Secretary
2. Renewal of Exploration Period		MGB Director
3. Conversion of: 3.1 Mineral Production Sharing Agreement (MPSA) into Joint Venture Agreement and Co-Production Agreement or vice-versa		Secretary
3.2 MA into FTAA		(Note: Approval is vested in the President pursuant to RA No. 7942)
3.3 MA Application into FTAA Application		MGB Regional Director
4. Approval of Transfer or	MA Application	MGB Regional Director
Assignment	MA	MGB Director
5. Notice of Withdrawal	MA Application	MGB Regional Director
	- MA	MGB Director
6. Notice of Relinquishment of MA Area	MA	MGB Regional Director
7. Decision/Resolution on the Appeal from Denial of Area Clearance		Undersecretary for Field Operations
8. Contract Area Expansion		MGB Director
9. Development/Utilization Work Program		MGB Director

SUBJECT: MINES AND GEOSCIENCES		
Tenurial Instruments- Small-Scale Mining Contract (SSMC)		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
1. Declaration of People's Small- Scale Mining Area /Minahang Bayan	Upon prior clearance by the Secretary	Provincial/City Mining Regulatory Board (P/CMRB)
2. Small-Scale Mining Contract Application		P/CMRB
3. Small-Scale Miner's License Application		P/CMRB
4. Mineral Processing License Application		P/CMRB
5. Reversion of PSSMA/ Minahang Bayan		Secretary

SUBJECT: MINES AND	GEOSCIENCES	
Processing/Transport Permit/Accreditation		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
1. Mineral Processing Permit	Approval, Renewal, Cancellation and Revocation - Less than PhP200M project cost	MGB Regional Director
	- PhP200M and above project cost	MGB Director
2. Ore Transport Permit	For Mining Contract and Permit and Accreditation of Traders/ Dealers/Retailers, issued by DENR/MGB	MGB Regional Director
	For Mining Permit issued by Provincial Governor/City Mayor	(Note: Vested in the Governor/City Mayor under RA No.7160)
	For SSMC	P/CMRB
3. Delivery Receipt	For Industrial Sand and Gravel (ISAG) of more than 5 hectares but not to exceed 20 hectares	MGB Regional Director
	- For ISAG and Commercial Sand and Gravel Permits of 5 hectares or less	(Note: Vested in the Governor/City Mayor under RA No.7160)
4. Confiscation/ Seizure of Minerals/Mineral Products, Tools and Equipment, incl. Conveyance	Illegally extracted and/or transported minerals and mineral products	MGB Director and MGB Regional Director and/or Bureau Officers/ personnel duly authorized by the MGB Director; DENR Personnel duly authorized by the Secretary; Contractor, Permit Holder and other duly deputized personnel.
5. Mineral Ore Export Permit	For Mining Contract and Permit issued by DENR/MGB  - 1 <sup>st</sup> time issuance	MGB Director
	- Succeeding issuances	MGB Regional Director
	For Mining Permit issued by Provincial Governor/ City Mayor	Governor/City Mayor and subsequent confirmation by MGB Regional Director
	For SSMC	P/CMRB
6. Certificate of Accreditation	Traders/Dealers/Retailers - Original issuance and renewal	MGB Regional Director

SUBJECT: MINES AND GEOSCIENCES		
Mine Safety		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
Safety Engineer/Inspector Permit	Mining Operation covered by Mining Permit and Contract issued by the national government	MGB Regional Director
2. Temporary Safety Engineer/Inspector Permit	Mining Operation covered by Mining Permit and Contract issued by the national government	MGB Regional Director
3. Electrical/Mechanical Installation Permit	Mining Operation covered by Mining Permit and Contract issued by the national government	MGB Regional Director
4. Safety and Health Program	Mining Operation covered by Mining Permit and Contract issued by the national government	MGB Regional Director
5. Annual Safety and Health Program	Mining Operation covered by SSMC	MGB Regional Director

SUBJECT: MINES AND GEOSCIENCES  Explosives		
1. Purchaser's License	Recommending Approval by MGB Regional Director	(Note: Approval is vested in the PNP)
2. License to Purchase/Transfer Explosives	Recommending Approval by MGB Regional Director	(Note: Approval is vested in the PNP)
3. Blaster Foreman's License	Recommending Approval by MGB Regional Director	(Note: Approval is vested in the PNP)

Project Feasibility		
ACTIVITY LIMITS OF AUTHORITY		APPROVING AUTHORITY
Declaration of Mining Project     Feasibility	EP, MA or FTAA	MGB Director
2. Feasibility Study	EP, MA or FTAA	MGB Director
•	MA or MPP Application	MGB Director

SUBJECT: MINES AND GEOSCIENCES Agreements		
<ol> <li>Memorandum of Agreement, Option Agreement, Operating Agreement or other Similar Forms of Agreement</li> </ol>		MGB Director

SU	SUBJECT: MINES AND GEOSCIENCES		
Eı	Environmental Protection		
	ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
1.	Environmental Protection and Enhancement Program/Final Mine Rehabilitation and/or	MA or FTAA Contractor, MPP or other Permit Holder - EPEP/FMR/DP	CLRFSC
	Decommissioning Plan	ISAG or Quarry Permit Holder EPEP	MRFC
		ISAG or Quarry Permit Holder FMR/DP	CLRFSC
2.	Annual EPEP	MA or FTAA Contractor, MPP or other Permit Holder	MRFC
3.	Potential Environmental Impact Management Plan	Small-Scale Mining Contractor	MGB Regional Director
4.	Social Development and Management Program and Annual SDMP	Mining Permit Holder or Contractor	MGB Regional Director
5.	Community Development Program	Mining Permit Holder or Contractor	MGB Regional Director
6.	Community Development and Management Program	Small-Scale Mining Contractor	MGB Regional Director
7.	Certificate of Environmental Management and Community Relations Record or Certificate of Exemption from CEMCRR	CEMCRR for Application for Mining Contract/Permit issued by DENR/MGB/P/CMRB	MGB Regional Director

SUBJECT: MINES AND GEOSCIENCES Mining Related Surveys		
ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
1. Survey Order		MGB Regional Director
2. Approval of Survey Plan		MGB Regional Director
3. Deputation of Geodetic Engineer		MGB Regional Director

Disposition of Mineral Pro	ducts	
ACTIVITY  LIMITS OF APPROVING AUTHORITY  AUTHORITY		
Disposition of Confiscated/     Seized Minerals/Mineral     Products, Tools, Equipment     and/or Conveyance	Through Public Auction/Bidding	MGB Regional Director
	To the Natural Resources Development Corporation <sup>1</sup>	Secretary

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> DENR Memorandum dated May 13, 2008 provides that "... to immediately turnover/donate all confiscated **minerals**, **mineral products** forest products, conveyances and equipment without court cases to NRDC for proper management and disposition" (Emphasis supplied)

### SUBJECT: MINES AND GEOSCIENCES

Adverse Claim, Protest/Opposition, Denial/Rejection (Regional Panel of Arbitrators

	ACTIVITY	LIMITS OF AUTHORITY	APPROVING AUTHORITY
	Resolution of Adverse Claim, Protest or Opposition	Cases docketed in the Regional Panel of Arbitrators	RPA
	Order of Execution/Finality of Decision	Cases resolved with finality by the RPA	RPA
	Resolution of Appeal from the Decision of the RPA	Cases resolved by the Mines Adjudication Board	MAB
4.	Denial of Mining Application	Application for EP, MA, FTAA and other applications filed in MGB Regional Office	MGB Regional Director
		EP Renewal Application	MGB Director
		MA Renewal Application	Secretary
	Resolution of Appeal from Denial of Mining Application	Denial by MGB Regional Director	MGB Director
		Denial by MGB Director	Secretary
6.	Cancellation of Approved	EP issued by:	MGB Regional Director/MGB
	Mining Tenement	- MGB Regional Director	Director/Secretary
		- MGB Director	MGB Director/Secretary
	!	MA	MGB Director/Secretary
		FTAA	Note: Cancellation is vested in the President pursuant to RA No. 7942
		MPP issued by:	MGB Regional Director/MGB
		- MGB RD	Director/Secretary
		- MGB Director	MGB Director/Secretary
		- SMP	MGB Director/Secretary
		- SMEP, GSQP & SEP	Secretary
		SSMC and MPL	Secretary/P/CMRB
7.	Resolution of Appeal from the Cancellation of Approved Mining Tenement	Cancellation by	
		- MGB RD	MGB Director
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### SUBJECT: DISTRIBUTION LIST

Secretary

All Undersecretaries

All Assistant Secretaries

Head Executive Assistant

All Bureau Directors

**All Assistant Directors** 

All Regional Directors

All Assistant Regional Directors

**All Service Directors** 

All PENROs

All CENROs