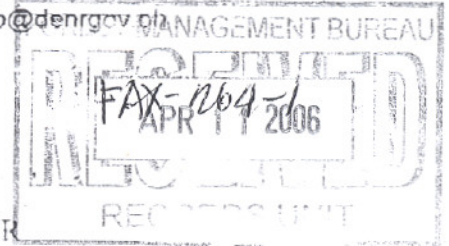


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**MEMORANDUM FROM THE SECRETARY**

TO : All Regional Executive Directors  
DENR Regions I-XIII, CAR and NCR

SUBJECT : *25-Year Forestry Leases, Permits, Contracts and Related Agreements*

DATE : APR 10 2006

In view of the current effort of the Department to rationalize the tenure instruments for forestland uses, you are hereby instructed to refrain from issuing/approving 25-year forestry leases, permits, contracts and related agreements. Henceforth, said documents shall be forwarded to the Office of the Secretary for approval, through the Undersecretary for Environment and Forestry.

However, all Regional Executive Directors are hereby authorized to approve 3-year Special Land Use Permits, subject to existing rules and regulations.

FOR COMPLIANCE.

ANGELO T. REYES

