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DENR ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No. 2021- 29

SUBJECT: EXTENDING THE APPLICATION PERIOD PRESCRIBED UNDER DAO NO. 2019-19, IN RE: GUIDELINES ON THE DISPOSITION OF RESIDUAL STOCKPILES SOURCED FROM SMALL-SCALE MINING OPERATION PREVIOUSLY COVERED BY VALID MINING PERMITS ISSUED PURSUANT TO PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1899 AND TEMPORARY SMALL-SCALE MINING CONTRACTS UNDER DAO NO. 2012-07, THE IRR OF EO NO. 79, SERIES OF 2012

Pursuant to Republic Act No. 7942, otherwise known as the *Philippine Mining Act of 1995*, Executive Order No. 79 Series of 2012, in re: *Institutionalizing and Implementing Reforms in the Philippine Mining Sector Providing Policies and Guidelines to Ensure Environmental Protection and Responsible Mining in the Utilization of Mineral Resources*, their IRR, and other pertinent laws, rules and regulations, and in view of the imposition of stringent community quarantine and travel and activity restrictions starting March 15, 2020 due to the increase in confirmed COVID-19 cases throughout the country, the following provision is hereby promulgated in consideration and for the guidance of all concerned:

Section 1. Extended Application Period for the Disposition of Residual Stockpiles

The application period for the disposition of residual stockpiles is extended until December 31, 2022. Previous holders of valid small-scale mining permits and temporary small-scale mining contracts may apply for the disposition of their residual stockpiles within the said period.

All residual stockpiles not applied for disposal after the said period shall be declared as abandoned and shall be owned by the Government.

Section 2. Repealing Clause

All orders, rules and regulations, and other issuances, or parts thereof, in conflict or inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

Section 3. Effectivity

This Administrative Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in a newspaper of general circulation and its registration in the Office of the National Administrative Register.

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