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MEMORANDUM

TO : DIRECTOR, EMB
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FROM : THE SECRETARY

SUBJECT : Rationalization of the Monitoring Mechanism for
EIA System through the Multisectoral Monitoring
Teams (MMT)

DATE : January 24, 2005

In view of the need to improve the monitoring of compliance to conditions provided in the ECC issued, following guidelines should be observed:

1. Rationalize membership to MMT, eg, ensure that only competent, civic-spirited and dedicated citizens/officials are appointed to the MMT;
2. Abolish excessive per diems/honorarium for monitoring meetings.

Under the procedural guidelines of the EIA Rules, any form of compensation for the MMT member is only for income lost for the day/time spent on monitoring.

3. Review the performance of the MMT in your respective regions and recommend appropriate policy modifications; and
4. Review the necessity and rationale for the MMT, view of some changes for example in high-impact industries where the requirements of self-monitoring, third-party monitoring, and reportorial requirements are already being implemented.



You are hereby directed to submit report on the foregoing fifteen (15) days from receipt of this Memorandum to the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Environment, Casimiro Ynarez, Jr.

FOR YOUR COMPLIANCE.



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