



MEMORANDUM FROM THE SECRETARY

TO **All Regional Executive Directors
The Director, Lands Management Bureau**

SUBJECT **BUREAU OF LANDS LOCATION MONUMENT (BLLM)**

DATE : **FEB 15 2005**

The Chamber of Real Estate and Builders Associations (CREBA) has called our attention to the degraded state of the Bureau of Lands Location Monuments (BLLM) registry.

This registry is an indispensable component of our country's system of land ownership. Its preservation and safety must be ensured, even as we allow convenient public access thereto pursuant to our mandates.

Towards this end, this office is making available the funds necessary for the LMB to undertake the encoding of the entire BLLM registries in the Lands Management Bureau and regional offices.

The LMB and the regional offices are hereby directed to simultaneously complete said encoding within two (2) months from the date of this Order; after which a computer media copy of the encoded registries at the regional levels shall be delivered to the Lands Management Bureau, which the latter shall merge into a master file for the whole country. The Lands Management Bureau shall ensure the security of said master file.

Thenceforth, any interested party seeking a copy of entries in said registries shall be provided the same in computer media, subject to payment of reasonable fees. Should LMB certification of said copies be sought by said parties, the same shall be issued through the existing regular procedures.

The LMB is hereby directed to provide CREBA, per its request, an LMB-certified computer media copy of the encoded master file upon its completion, subject to payment of a reasonable fee as the LMB may determine. In the meantime that encoding has not yet been commenced, or while in progress, the LMB and regional offices are hereby directed to allow CREBA representatives to photograph the registries as and when needed. CREBA shall provide LMB with a computer-media copy of the resulting images.

The LMB is also hereby directed to study the possibility of providing the public with internet access to the BLLM registries through the DENR website. For this purpose, and on matters concerning computerization of its other records or automating its tasks, the LMB may avail of CREBA's technical assistance, which the latter has offered free of charge.

For compliance.

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