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MEMORANDUM

TO : All Bureau Directors

FROM : The Undersecretary for Policy, Planning, and International Affairs

SUBJECT : **PARTICIPATION OF DENR BUREAUS IN THE
16TH NATIONAL BIOTECHNOLOGY WEEK (NBW)**

DATE : SEP 28 2020

The annual celebration of the National Biotechnology Week (NBW) was signed into law through Presidential Proclamation (P.P.) 1414 by then President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo on November 9, 2007. The P.P. 1414 was tasked the Departments of Agriculture (DA), Education (DepEd), Health (DOH), Interior and Local Government (DILG), Science and Technology (DOST), Trade and Industry (DTI), Commission of Higher Education (CHED), and DENR to craft a meaningful celebration that will showcase biotechnology. Since then, DENR along with the said agencies have been able to enlighten target groups on the benefits and safe application on biotechnology and its products for the country's food security, equitable access to health services, sustainable and safe environment, and industry development.

As DENR takes its turn to be the Chair of the 16th NBW Inter-Agency Committee (IAC), the department shall spearhead the planning, implementation, and assessment of all NBW activities for the Year 2020. The celebration of the 16th NBW will be on 23-27 November 2020.

In celebration of the said event, agency activities related to biotechnology are solicited for inclusion in the week-long program. Since the general public could not be taken to a physical venue where the exhibits will be displayed and lectures will be held, virtual platforms will be maximized to achieve better engagement with the public. The exhibits, webinars, and other activities of all participating departments and partner agencies will run for the whole duration of the NBW 2020. Contributions of biotechnology to health, agriculture, education, economy and environment will be highlighted through various media.

In view of the foregoing, your bureau's participation is enjoined by sharing your project/s or activities related to biotechnology. Please email the needed document to the NBW Secretariat, 2020nbw@gmail.com, on or before **05 October 2020**. For inquiries, you may contact **Mr. Juan B. Ebra** (0995 7569265) or **Ms. Liberty E. Asis** (0917 7926271) of the ERDB-Technology Transfer Division.

For your information and appropriate action.


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Department of Environment and Natural Resources
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24 September 2020

MEMORANDUM

FOR. : The Undersecretary for Policy, Planning, and
International Affairs

FROM : The Director, ERDB

SUBJECT : **MEMORANDUM TO ALL BUREAU DIRECTORS SOLICITING
PARTICIPATION IN THE 16TH NATIONAL BIOTECHNOLOGY
WEEK (NBW 2020)**

We would like to express our utmost appreciation for your support in the plans for the celebration of the 16th National Biotechnology Week to be held on November 23 to 27, 2020. As discussed during the presentation of the proposal last September 23, 2020, the ERDB would be pleased to enjoin the participation of all the DENR bureaus in the celebration of the said event.

Attached is the memorandum to all Bureau Directors soliciting the research or studies related to biotechnologies generated and used by their respective bureaus to be featured in the 16th National Biotechnology Week.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION, PLEASE.


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