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Department of Environment and Natural Resources

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MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Directors

Biodiversity Management Bureau

Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau

Environmental Management Bureau

Land Management Bureau Mines and Geosciences Bureau

FROM

The OIC- Director, Policy and Planning Service

SUBJECT

AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF DENR ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER (DAO) NO. 2004-28 AND DAO NO. 2004-59 RE: RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF FOREST LANDS FOR TOURISM PURPOSES AND RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE SPECIAL USES OF

FOREST LANDS

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BACKGROUND

The proposed DAO was crafted to standardize the schedule of payment of government share (annual user's fee) of the holders of Special Land Use Permit/Agreements. This is to ensure the timely collection and remittance of such fee by the tenure holders of SLUP, FLAg, and FLAgT to DENR Field Offices.

SALIENT FEATURES

- The draft guidelines provides that government share or user's fee for SLUP, FLAg and FLAgT shall be paid within thirty (30) days upon issuance of the said tenure instruments and annually thereafter on or before March 31 of the succeeding years.
- It also provides that if the tenure holder fails to pay the user's fee within the prescribed period, surcharges of 8.33% monthly for late payment or 100% for one (1) year shall be incurred.
- A database to monitor the status of collection of government share or user's fee shall be developed by the Forest Management Bureau (FMB). The said database shall also be incorporated in the Enhanced Forestry Information System (eFIS).
- Concerned DENR Field Offices shall regularly monitor the status of collection of government share or user's fee, especially those that are about to become due and

demandable. To ensure compliance, this responsibility shall be included in their respective annual performance commitment.

ACTIONS TAKEN

The draft DAO was first endorsed to this Office thru email on 29 August 2020. It was then presented to the DENR Policy Technical Working Group (PTWG) in its meeting on 10 November 2020. Thereafter, the PTWG Secretariat incorporated the comments of the PTWG to insert provisions on the development of a database and the responsibility of the Field Offices, as well as the granting of incentives for early payment. A revised version of the policy was endorsed to FMB in a memorandum dated 18 November 2020.

In a memorandum dated 16 December 2020, the FMB agreed to the proposed revisions except for the granting of incentives since the payment of user's fee is one of the major obligations of holders of FLAg and FLAgT as per the tenure instrument's Terms and Conditions.

ACTION REQUESTED

Should you concur with the proposed DAO, please notify this Office in writing on or before 29 December 2020. Otherwise, your lack of feedback shall be considered as your concurrence or no objection to the said proposed policy, which we shall endorse for vetting by the Undersecretaries prior to the approval by the Secretary.

Attached is the draft DAO Amending Certain Provisions of DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 2004-28 and DAO No. 2004-59 re: Rules and Regulations Governing the Use of Forest Lands for Tourism Purposes and Rules and Regulations for the Special Uses of Forest Lands, for your consideration.

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TOURISM PURPOSES AND RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE SPECIAL USES OF FOREST LANDS

GOVERNING THE USE OF FOREST LANDS FOR

In the interest of the service and to ensure the on-time payment of government share in the form of user's fee by the holders of Special Land Use Permit (SLUP), Forest Landuse Agreement (FLAg) and Forest Landuse Agreement for Tourism Purposes (FLAgT) to the concerned DENR Field Offices, and to ensure the latter's timely collection of user's fee as well as efficient accounting and remittance of the collected user's fees to the National Treasury, the following provisions of DAO No. 2004-28 dated August 25, 2004 and DAO No. 2004-59 dated August 31, 2004 are hereby amended.

Section 1.Amendments to DAO Nos. 2004-28 and 2004-59. Section 16 of DAO No. 2004-28 and Section 18 of DAO No. 2004-59, both entitled: Payment of government share and surcharges for late payment, shall read as follows:

The government share or user's fee for SLUP, FLAg and FLAgT shall be paid within thirty (30) days upon issuance of SLUP, FLAg and FLAgT and annually thereafter on or before March 31 of the succeeding years. Failure of the SLUP, FLAg and FLAgT holder to pay the user's fee within the prescribed period shall be subject to surcharges of 8.33% monthly for late payment or 100% for one (1) year.

Sec. 2. Development of Database. The FMB shall develop a database to monitor the status of collection of government share or user's fee. The said database shall also be incorporated in the Enhanced Forestry Information System (eFIS).

Sec. 3. Responsibility of the Field Offices. The concerned DENR Field Offices shall regularly monitor the status of collection of government share or user's fee, especially those that are about to become due and demandable. To ensure compliance, this responsibility shall be included in their respective annual performance commitment.

Sec. 4. Transitory Provision. All existing SLUP, FLAg and FLAgT holders shall continue paying their government share or user's fee for 2020. The new schedule of payment shall commence on 2021.

Sec. 5. Repealing Clause. All other provisions of DAO No. 2004-28 and DAO No.
2004-59 not affected by this amendment shall remain in full force and effect.
Sec. 6. Effectivity Clause. This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after
publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation and upon submission of three
(3) copies to the Office of the National AdministrativeRegister (ONAR) of the UP Law
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Dear Sir/ Madam,

We are pleased to submit the revised draft DAO amending certain provisions of DAO 2004-28 and DAO 2004-59 for your consideration.

Thank you,

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