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MEMORANDUM

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FROM:

The OIC Director

Policy and Planning Service *and* Head, Sub-Committee on Anti-Red Tape (Sub-CART) for Policy and Regulation - Regulatory Impact

Assessment (RIA)

SUBJECT:

NOMINATION OF PARTICIPANTS TO THE BASIC COURSE

ON REGULATORY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (RIA)

DATE

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Pursuant to Section 5 of Republic Act No. 11032 otherwise known as the *Ease of Doing Business Act of 2018*, all proposed regulations related to the provision of services covering business and non-business-related transactions shall undergo Regulatory Impact Assessment. Prior to this, the institutionalization of RIA was included in Chapter 5 of the Philippine Development Plan 2017-2022.

Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA) is a systematic process that helps to ensure quality of existing and proposed government regulations. It helps policymakers to examine the impacts and the consequences of different policy options. This enables them to understand whether a proposed regulation can achieve certain public policy objectives and thereby, make the corresponding decision.

The Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) Memorandum Circular No. 2021-06, issued in 15 August 2021 laid out the interim guidelines and updates on the implementation of the requirement for RIA. It also identified the pilot agencies which have started undergoing RIA training in May 2021 under the University of the Philippines' National College of Public Administration and Governance (NCPAG) track. The Department, however, was not included in the list of pilot agencies.

In its Workshop on RIA held on 24 May 2022, ARTA stated that after the release of the RIA Manual, agencies that are not included in the pilot agencies are expected to begin familiarizing themselves with the RIA process and other relevant tools on good regulatory practice.

Considering the need to establish familiarity to prepare the Department for the implementation of the RIA, we proposed the conduct of a Basic Course on RIA in October this year. The training will run for three (3) days and will be conducted by Resource Persons from the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP).

In relation to this, we would like to invite you to nominate participants to attend the said Training. Four (4) participants are allotted for each Bureau, which should be technical personnel involved in the formulation/ review of regulatory policies; two (2) participants from the Office of the Undersecretaries who are regularly attending the DENR-Policy Technical Working Group (PTWG) meetings; one (1) participant each from the PPS-Planning & Programming Division and PPS-Program Monitoring and Evaluation Division.

We would appreciate receiving the details of your nominated participants (name, designation, office/unit, e-mail address, contact number) in advance through this email address: psddivision@gmail.com, copy furnished policy@denr.gov.ph by 12 August 2022.

For your preferential and appropriate action, please.

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