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## MEMORANDUM

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FROM : The OIC Director  
Policy and Planning Service

SUBJECT : **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE POLICY TECHNICAL WORKING  
GROUP (PTWG) MEETING NO. 2022 – 14 HELD ON  
NOVEMBER 28, 2022 VIA ZOOM**

DATE : 07 DEC 2022

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Furnished herewith is the Highlights of the Policy Technical Working Group (PTWG) Meeting No. 2022-14 held on 28 November 2022, 9:30 AM via Zoom platform, which tackled the Draft DMC re: Extended Producers Responsibility National Framework for all Types of Waste.

FOR INFORMATION.

  
MELINDA C. CAPISTRANO

**DENR-POLICY TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP**  
**Minutes of Meeting No. 2022-14**  
28 November 2022, 9:30 AM  
Meeting via Zoom

**I. Attendees**

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|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Dir. Norlito Eneran –LAS                  | <b>Secretariat (PPS-PSD)</b>       |
| 2. Mr. Jose Joaquin Loyzaga – HEA/OCOS       | 29. Ms. Mary Lou Retos             |
| 3. Ms. Maria Christina Francisco – OUFOLVE   | 30. Ms. Anna Michelle Lim          |
| 4. Mr. Orlhee Mar Magarbio - OUFISCC         | 31. Ms. Zayrelle Ann U. Suello     |
| 5. For. Jeruz Pahilanga - OUSECFOM           | 32. Ms. Hydeec Nim Eusebio         |
| 6. Ms. Lolit Presbitero – OULAHRLA           | 33. For. Hazel Jasmine Donato-Chua |
| 7. Ms. Reina Frances Requieron – OASECFISMC  | 34. Ms. Maria Theresa Enriquez     |
| 8. For. Kryshlaine Raquel – OASPPFASP        | 35. Mr. Nehemiah Salvador          |
| 9. For. Adele Siapno – OASEC Legal Affairs   |                                    |
| 10. Ejay Ligaya – OASEC Legal Affairs        |                                    |
| 11. Ms. Jean Ocampo - OASFOWM                |                                    |
| 12. Engr. Reina Frances Requieron - OASFISMC |                                    |
| 13. Ms. Girlie Rueda– ERDB                   |                                    |
| 14. Atty. Bianca Pagalilauan –LAS            |                                    |
| 15. Atty. Daniel Batula –LAS                 |                                    |
| 16. Mr. Gino Paje - LAS                      |                                    |
| 17. Lovelle Luzette Galidon –LMB             |                                    |
| 18. Rachell Abenir- BMB                      |                                    |
| 19. Ms. Claudett Endozo – FMB                |                                    |
| 20. Ms. Jennifer Flores – CCS                |                                    |
| 21. Ms. Joan Laborte - CCS                   |                                    |
| 22. Ms. Charisse Toledo - CCS                |                                    |
| 23. Ms. Delia Crstina Valdez - EMB           |                                    |
| 24. Atty. Ivy Joyce De Pedro – EMB           |                                    |
| 25. Ms. Raquel Reyes – EMB                   |                                    |
| 26. Ms. Crister Kae Alcaraz – EMB            |                                    |
| 27. Atty. Zoilo Andin Jr. – UNDP             |                                    |
| 28. Mr. Carlo Lupi – UNDP                    |                                    |

**II. Highlights of the Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 AM by Dir. Norlito Eneran (LAS). The agenda was adopted with no further changes.

***Draft DMC re Extended Producers Responsibility National Framework for all Types of Waste***

- Dir. Eneran provided a brief overview. He said that the policy is an extension of the IRR of the Extended Producers Responsibility (EPR) Act. What will be presented is the Framework mandated under Section 6 of the EPR Act amending section 44-a if the RA 9003, which provides that within three (3) months following effectivity of EPR Act of 2022, the Department in consultation with National Solid Waste Management Commission (NSWMC) shall formulate a National Framework on EPR for all types of Product Wastes.
- Dir. Eneran requested EMB to present a brief background on the consultation conducted by EMB regarding the Framework. Atty. Ivy Joyce de Pedro (EMB) said that EMB in coordination with UNDP conducted a series of Focused Group Discussions (FGDs) with different concerned NGAs and various stakeholders in Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao, to solicit issues, concerns and to gather valuable feedback regarding the development of the National Framework. The said framework is in line with Section 44 of EPR Act of 2022

and the NPOA ML under Strategy 2: Mainstream Circular Economy and Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) indicatives. The EPR Framework for all other types of product waste is proposed to be adopted through a DENR Memorandum Circular (DMC). Atty. Zoilo Andin Jr. (UNDP) added that the framework was presented together with the IRR in all consultation that has been conducted. Further, He notes that the NSWMC created under Republic Act (RA) No. 9003 is aware of its limitation and was hesitant to delve into RA No. 6969, as this is not under their mandate, and only comes to play when the classified municipal waste also contains hazardous waste. He said that as the framework is not yet operationalized, the DMC will provide a guide in policy and program determination and for the remedial legislation of Congress. Thereafter, Atty. De Pedro presented the draft policy.

- Atty. Bianca Pagalilauan (LAS) proposed to add “Extended Producers Responsibility” on the title, in consideration of Section 44 of the EPR Law, which provides for the creation of the National Framework.
- On the preambular, Atty. De Pedro said that the proposed revision on the title will be adopted in the introductory paragraph “National Framework on EPR for All Types of Product Wastes...”.
- Ms. Lolit Presbitero (OULAHRLA) asked for an update on the IRR of the EPR Act of 2022. Ms. Suello said this was returned to EMB due to comments during the OSEC’s meeting last 25 November 2022. Ms. Presbitero said that DMC should only circulate the exiting guidelines and the adoption of the National Framework, the IRR of the EPR should also be cited in the legal basis. Atty. Andin explained that the DMC is for all types of wastes, while the framework specific to plastic packaging can be operationalized through the EPR IRR. The requirement of EPR law is to also have a National Framework for all types of waste, there’s no conflict when it comes to the approval of the IRR. He added that the method of adoption is similar to what was done with NPOA ML, as this will serve as guidance for the stakeholders.
- On Section 1. Legal Basis, Atty. Pagalilauan proposed to specify the Section 6 of RA No. 11898 or the EPR Act.
- On Section 2. Basic Policy, Mr. Gino Paje (LAS) inquired if there is a reason for adopting a declaration of the policy just the same with the constitution, he suggested exploring a more specific policy intended for the actual framework. Atty. De Pedro responded that EMB will search for more specific policy other than what is in the Constitution. Ms. Presbitero also proposed to include specific mandate of the DENR pursuant to Executive Order No. 192 and the specific mandate of the DENR. Atty. Pagalilauan also suggested adding an introductory statement before enumerating all the legal bases and to add punctuation mark after the relevant laws. Mr. Paje suggested to include related international law if the purpose is to make it from general to specific. Atty. De Pedro said to limit it to domestic regulations.
- On Section 7, Dir. Siapno asked about the timeframe to develop a system for Monitoring and Evaluation. Atty. Andin said that per consultation with the NSWMC, there’s still a need to amend RA No. 6969 to operationalize EPR for hazardous waste. He emphasized that it is still hard to pin down the timeline as there are still other factors to consider, although there’s a prospect in the framework as to when to move forward with the other types of wastes. Dir. Siapno proposed to either include a phrase “upon the approval or updating of” or an insertion that will clarify where to anchor the development of M&E and the operationalization of the obligation. Atty. Andin agreed, he said that EMB may put a trigger for obligation to operationalize, either a DAO or a remedial legislation.

- Mr. Paje suggested an insertion of a provision explaining the repercussion of EPR on the current commitments of the DENR such as NEAP, especially with the writ of Kalikasan filed against the Department. Atty. Andin responded that on Section 44a and 44d of the EPR Law, the obliged has an option to operationalize any of six (6) avoidance reduction measures or 6 downstream measures. He cite banning of Single Use Plastics as an example, to which the obliged enterprises will be required to comply. He said that the EPR programs will be adjusted to comply with the law, especially if it's mandatory in nature. He added that the EPR program, as explained to all Stakeholders during the consultation, should be updated and revised regularly.
- Dir. Siapno moved for the approval of the draft DMC. Ms. Presbitero, asked for the presentation of the National Framework.
- Atty. Pagalilauan suggested including a part referring to the Framework in the draft DMC. Dir. Siapno said that there is no need to add the word attached per the standard template. Ms. Presbitero, suggested to include a phrase Annex A in Section 5. Implementation of the National Framework for all types of Product Waste. For. Llarina Mojica (PPS) also agreed to add a sentence in Section 5 regarding the enclosure of the Framework in the Annex A.
- On Section 7. Ms. Presbitero inquired about the the development of the monitoring system, she said that the DENR should do the main activities. Atty. Andin agreed that when dealing with production waste, there are other agencies involved, but the lead will be DENR. However, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is needed. He mentioned the movement of Hazardous Waste and the Recyclability market as examples, in coordination with the Bureau of Customs (BOC) and the Department of Trade and Industry, respectively. Ms. Presbitero said to consider inserting the subsequent agreements with Other government Agencies in the Framework. Atty. Andin responded that the Framework is a technical description essentially and as to who to collaborate with, the Framework is not to that level of specificity. Dir. Siapno also remarks that although points raised by Ms. Presbitero are relevant, based on the standard DMC formulation, specific activities and details should not be inserted in the policy, as it only serves as guidance and for circulation of the National Framework.
- Atty. Pagalilauan requested clarification on Section 6 Funding. Atty. Andin responded this will come into play when the Framework has been operationalize currently, the funding will be used as planning tool. Ms. Presbitero suggested to include a phrase "for the effective implementation of the Framework".
- For. Mojica circled back to where the National Framework could be mentioned. Atty. De Pedro suggested to mention it in Section 4 whereas Ms. Presbitero recommended in the first paragraph of the DMC. Atty. De Pedro asked if it could be included in the footnote but Ms. Presbitero said that these are not usually read. Dir. Siapno opined that Section 5 is more suitable. Atty Eneran agreed with the idea of having the phrase in Section 5, he further suggest to revise the title of Section 5 as "Adoption and Implementation of the Framework" to which Ms. Lovelle Luzette (LMB) also agreed.
- Dir. Siapno again moved for the adaption of the DMC, subject to the comments and suggestion of the members, seconded by Mr. Paje.
- The proposed contents of the DMC was approved at the PTWG level. This will be endorsed to the Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and International Affairs through the proper channel.

### *Presentation of the National Framework for all types of product waste*

- Atty. De Pedro presented the National Framework for all types of product waste in accordance with Section 6 of RA 11898. She explained that the agreement during the PTWG No 2022-13 was not yet incorporated in the framework.
- Ms. Presbitero suggested revising the title to “National Framework on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) for All Types of Product Waste” to be more straightforward.
- Mr. Paje suggested changing Forewords to Foreword. Dir. Siapno suggested changing Foreword to Background, to which Atty. Eneran agreed, he notes that the previous issuances of the Department also used the word “Background”.
- On item 4 of the Table of contents, Atty. Bianca suggested to include acronym “(PRO)”, for the Producer Responsibility Organization. On item 6, Ms. Presbitero also proposed to spell out EPR. Dir. Siapno suggested to reserve the comments on the body.
- Atty Eneran suggested using numbers or letters for easy reference instead of bullets.
- Ms. Maria Cristina Francisco (OUFOLOVE) provided a correction on 1.1. Regulatory Framework “...primarily be achieved through the enforcement of the amended Ecological Solid Waste Management Act...”
- Ms. Presbitero suggested mentioning the EPR prior to the NEDA Framework on the Philippine Development Plan. Atty. Andin asked if Ms. Presbitero’s intention is to explain in the regulatory framework as to why the Framework was drafted. Ms. Presbitero affirmed. Dir. Siapno clarified the style of writing, she notes that the style of writing is in a deductive approach from general to specific. She added that based on previous policies, the approach normally adopted is the deductive approach. Atty. Andin said they will submit to the wisdom of the body.
- Dir. Eneran said there is no need to make the 1.1 Regulatory framework into a subtopic as there is no other subtopic. Atty. Andin responded there is only one subtopic for Item 1, but there is discussion on EPR Framework in Section 7. Atty. Eneran proposed to remove the subtopic “1.1 Regulatory Framework”
- Ms. Presbitero suggested having two subtopics on the Background: item 1.1 could be the Regulatory Framework, while 1.2 is the EPR Framework.
- On the first paragraph, Atty. Pagalilauan suggested deleting footnote numberings. She further proposed to be more consistent on the phrase “All types of product wastes”.
- On item a reduction of non-environmentally friendly product, Mr. Paje inquired if the non-environmentally products also refers to NEAP. Atty. Andin responded that RA 9003 provide a definition on environmentally acceptable and preferable. Ms. Caorlo Lupi (UNDP) said that the item a and b wording was callout from the law, hence this should not be changed. There is a definition in the law for the non-environmentally product, and there are some products that are already classified as non-environmentally products.
- On item c, Ms. Presbitero proposed to be rephrase as “...in compliance with the new Section 44...”
- On item d, Atty. Pagalilauan proposed to add (NEAP) after the non-environmentally acceptable product and to expound the Section 9 Mandatory Review as “Section 9 of R.A 11898 ...”

- Dir. Siapno moved for the adoption of the Section 2. Definition of Terms, should these definitions of terms come from the legal basis. Mr. Paje agreed with the suggestion, he also proposes to include the definition of the non-environmentally friendly products to distinguish it from other term that are commonly used before the passage of the framework. Atty. Andin responded that there is no specific definition for the non-environmentally friendly products, although this is the language used in Section 44a of the EPR Law of 2022. In practice the use of non-environmentally friendly is almost interchangeable with non-environmentally acceptable or preferable products. He said that the use of congress of the phrase is out of common usage and to recourse to RA 9003.
- On the first paragraph under item 2. Definition of Terms, Atty. Pagalilauan proposed to revise the “Draft framework” to “National Framework”. On the waste diversion accomplishment. She also suggested to revise “recovers” to “recovered”.
- On part 3. Offsetting Criteria for all Products
  - On the first line, Ms. Presbitero asked about the word “proposed”. Atty. Andin explained that the Framework is only a guide and the oblige may consider any of the twelve (12) measures, which is why offsetting criteria is proposed. It differentiates various types of products and how you will offset them, which is why it is a proposal.
  - On item 1. Brand, Ms. Presbitero said to check obliged enterprise and PROs and suggested rephrasing so that recovering products are not duplicated. Dir. Siapno said that in other texts and entries, there are also repetitions and can be reformulated.
  - Ms. Presbitero also suggested itemizing so that it is not hard to read. Atty. Pagalilauan proposed to refer Oblige Enterprise as “OE” and the End of Life to be refer as “EOL”
  - On item 4 Complete Waste Management, Atty. Pagalilauan asked about the Waste Manifest System. Atty. Andin said that this is generally used but no system yet. Atty. De Pedro asked if a definition on WMS should be provided. Dir. Siapno proposed to have a working definition to at least have an idea of what it is. Ms. Presbisitero further asked if the definition is already in the IRR. Atty. De Pedro said that EMB is still considering whether they should use a diff system or this will be just incorporated in the EPR. Ms. Presbitero proposed to adopt the definition of WMS from the RA 6969.
  - On item 5, Paje also suggested to check for a grammatical corrections, i.e. GHG, program, etc. EMB to edit for uniformity.
  - On item 5, Achievability of recovery/..., Atty. Pagalilauan asked what is being referred to by (a)(1). Atty. Andin said it is part of the regulatory framework in the Background. These are in the Section 44 A of EPR Act of 2022, he said that a clarificatory phrase can be included in the Background “Pursuant to Section 44-A of RA 9003, as amended by the EPR Act of 2022.
  - On item 5, Ancillary measures to achieve recovery/ neutrality targets. Atty. Pagalilauan inquired about if “Chapter III of the amended Section 6 of RA 9003” is the same as Chapter III-A of the EPR Act of 2022. Atty. Andin responded this is Section 44-A, he proposed to add “Section 44-A, RA 9003, as amended by RA 1188” to clarify that “Article 1 of Chapter III” is Section 44-A, while Article II is Section 44-B. Atty. Pagalilauan further proposed to use the terminology used in the EPR IRR. Atty. Andin informed that in the IRR, the RA 11898 refers to EPR Act 2022, EMB to revised line 168.
  - Dir. Siapno also suggested rephrasing second paragraph of item 5 Ancillary measures to achieve recover/ neutrality targets, she proposed to itemize or to have a separate

paragraph for the required cases and situation. Atty. Andin said that these activities are not measurable as to how they contributed to neutrality/recovery targets so they have to describe how the program will help to achieve plastic neutrality. He said the framework can be adjusted, to be read as **“In case...included in the NEC registered EPR Programs and if NWMC considers that these measures...”** Further, Dir. Siapno also suggested to provide a brief description on the a(5), a(6), b5, etc. Ms. Raquel Reyes (EMB) also agreed with the suggestion of Dir. Siapno

- On item 6. Transparency, accountability, and chain of custody, Dir. Siapno proposed to separate item 6 into two levels: 6.1: Product Neutrality Target and 6.2: Achieved Neutrality. Mr. Paje clarified if there will be two level of transparency and accountability. Atty. Andin affirmed. Mr. Paje reiterated the suggestion of Ms. Presbitero to itemize all the text heavy paragraph.
  - For. Mojica clarified if there will be an information system to be developed, she further asked who will facilitate the data management. Atty. Andin responded that the obliged PRO is the one that maintains updated detailed databases subject to a 3<sup>rd</sup> party auditor. The PRO will disclose their product footprint and target using an aggregated data. He further said that the data received by the EMB is the processed data, while NEC can request unaudited data on a semi-annual basis particularly on the rate of footprint recovery and diversion and the cost of recovery and diversion.
  - On item 6, last paragraph, Dir. Siapno suggest to revise as “... for auditing purposes that contains only aggregated information by product category material, in compliance with existing laws, rules and regulations” as commercial sensitive disclosure is still affected by existing laws. Atty. Andin said that PRO will disclose aggregated data on product target and footprint. He notes that while some oblige PRO have several members, the one registering in the EPR Program is the PRO. Hence, the data being disclosed to the public is aggregated. However, for audit purposes, all members will be audited and the Audit will go beyond aggregated info. He also notes that the avoidance of disclosure of sensitive info is in Section 44g of EPR Law. Ms. Presbitero clarified that the OE and PRO has their own decision whatever they would want to retain the data in their system. Although the information being disclosed to the public is the aggregated data and the sensitive information will be kept by OE and PROs at their level. However for auditing purposes, the data needed by the auditors should be provided by OE and PRO. Atty. Andin affirmed, he said that OE and PROs do not have final say, in the confidential information. But the law is clear that commercial sensitive information has to be disclosed to the auditor, as the PRO and OE will be the one to hire independent 3<sup>rd</sup> party auditor, essentially their retainer.
  - On item 7, Mass balance including Green House Gas (GHG), Ms. Presbitero suggested providing the title of DAO No. 2021-22 “Guidelines Mainstreaming, cascading and institutionalizing Climate Change concerns in ENR Programs”
- On Part 4 Procurers Responsibility organization for all products, Ms. Presbitero suggested to combine 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph, to be read as “...rules and guidelines for all product waste taking into consideration the following:”
  - On part 5. Criteria for Priority and Preliminary list of Priority Product Wastes
    - For. Mojica inquired if the priority product waste is still a proposal, Mr. Lupi responded that this is still preliminary which will only serve as a regulatory guide, he said that this may be removed and retained the criteria only. He said that this is reflected in the framework regarding the timeline. The Priority setting criteria will be discussed/resolved with the EMB first.



- Mr. Paje, asked if the table is necessary, he said that this would limit the regulatory power of the framework. Atty. Andin, responded that this would help in the decisions to be undertaken. Mr. Paje suggested adding a statement that this is not an inclusive list.
- Item 6. EPR Framework for all types of product waste, shall be adjusted based on the discussion.
- Mr. Paje asked about the role of NSWMC. Atty. Andin responded that NSWMC has two roles 1) Secretariat 2) Interagency commission with private sector involvement, the NSWMC function is more on policy making, and in EPR their role is to ensure that the requirement of EPR law is complied with.
- For. Siapno suggested to park the policy discussion for the secretariat to review it first, before presenting it again to the PTWG.
- There will be a small group discussion (face-to-face) on 02 December 2022, both Ms. Presbitero and Dir. Siapno offered their technical assistance.
- Dir. Siapno moved for the deferment of the National framework for all types of waste, for the secretariat to review thoroughly, seconded by Ms. Presbitero.

#### **Agreements:**

##### **Draft DMC re Extended Producers Responsibility National Framework for all Types of Waste**

- To Title to include Extended Producers Responsibility
- On Section 1. Legal Basis, to specify the Section 6 of RA No. 11898 or the EPR Act.
- On Section 2. Basic Policy, EMB to identify specific policy intended for the framework, other than what is in the Constitution, and to arrange it from General to Specific.
- To revise the title of Section 5 as “Adoption and Implementation of the Framework
- On Section 5, “Activities and targets provided in the National Framework, attached as Annex A...”
- On Section 6 Funding, to include a phrase “...allocations for the effective implementation of the framework.” to clarify that the funding will be used in the implementation of the framework.
- On Section 7, EMB to consider putting a timeframe for monitoring systems and to include a triggers for obligation to operationalize, could be DAO or remedial legislation
- The proposed contents of the DMC was approved at the PTWG level. This will be endorsed to the OUPPIA through proper channel.

##### **Presentation of the National Framework for all types of product waste**

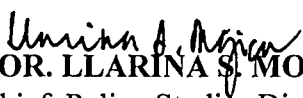
- To revise the title of the Framework to “National Framework on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) for All Types of Product Waste”
- Change the "Foreword" to "Background"

- On the table of contents, include an acronym of PRO and spell out the EPR.
- To delete footnote numberings.
- To be more consistent on the phrase “All types of product wastes”.
- EMB to edit for uniformity, such as grammatical corrections, etc
- Itemize heavy text paragraphs and to use numbers and letters instead of bullets
- Rephrase repetitive words/phrase to make sure that there is no duplication in the sentence formation.
- On Background
  - To include Subtopics: item 1.1 Regulatory Framework and 1.2 EPR Framework.
  - Rephrase item c as “...in compliance with the new Section 44...”
  - On item d, add “(NEAP)” after the non-environmentally acceptable product
  - Expound the Section 9 Mandatory Review as “Section 9 of R.A 11898 ...”
  - To include a clarificatory phrase in the Background “Pursuant to Section 44-A of RA 9003, as amended by the EPR Act of 2022, to clarify the component a(1)- a(6) to b(1)- b(6)
- Definition of terms
  - The Definition of Terms was adopted
  - To revised the “Draft framework” to “National Framework”
  - On the waste diversion accomplishment, to revise “recovers” to “recovered”.
- On 3 Offsetting Criteria for all products
  - Refer Oblige Enterprise to “OE” and the End of Life to be refer as “EOL”
  - On item 4, Complete Waste Management, adopt the definition of Waste Manifest System (WMS) from the RA 6969, if applicable
  - To rephrase second paragraph of item 5.
  - Adopt Waste Manifest System Definition in RA 6969
  - All reference of Article 1 Chapter III should be clarified Pursuant to Section 44-A of EPR Act.
  - On Item 5. Ancillary measures, to add separate paragraph for cases and situation and to put name for a5, a6 etc., and the same shall be applied for all mentions.
  - Separating item 6 into two subtopics – product neutrality target and achieved neutrality
  - Last Paragraph of item 6, shall be revised as “... for auditing purposes that contains only aggregated information by product category material, in compliance with existing laws, rules and regulations”
  - On item 7, cite the title of DAO 2021-22 ““Guidelines Mainstreaming, cascading and institutionalizing Climate Change concerns in ENR Programs”
  - On Standard Template, Change to Memorandum of Agreement
- On Part 4 Procurers Responsibility organization for all products, 2nd and 3rd paragraph shall be revised as “...rules and guidelines for all product waste taking into consideration the following:”
- On part 5. Criteria for Priority and Preliminary list of Priority Product Waste, before the table, a statement shall be added stating that the list is not inclusive.

- Item 6. EPR Framework for all types of product waste, shall be adjusted based on the discussion.
  - The proposed criteria shall be discussed with EMB.
  - Secretariat to Review the Framework together with Atty. Andin and EMB and to Re-Circulate the said Document, together with Ms. Lolit Presbitero and Ms. Adel Siapno on 2 December 2022.
  - Ms. Presbitero asked the secretariat to print the framework and for the attendees to the Small Group Meeting to review beforehand and be ready with suggestions. The Secretariat to also circulate the framework.
- Without other matters to discussed, the PTWG Meeting was adjourned at 3:54 PM.

Prepared by the Secretariat

Noted by:

  
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