



**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR :** **The Directors**  
Legal Affairs Service  
Policy and Planning Service  
Climate Change Service

**All Bureau Directors**

**The Executive Directors**  
National Water Resources Board  
Palawan Council for Sustainable Development Staff  
River Basin Control Office  
Manila Bay Coordinating Office  
Pasig River Coordinating and Management Office

**The General Manager**  
Laguna Lake Development Authority

**The Officer-In-Charge**  
Mines and Geosciences Bureau

**FROM :** **The Director**  
Legislative Liaison Office

**SUBJECT :** **INVITATION AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS RE: BILLS ON WATER SUPPLY, CREATION OF INTER-AGENCY BODY/TASK-FORCE TO ADDRESS WATER CRISIS, POTABLE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS, AND RAINWATER HARVESTING FACILITY AND ON OTHER MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**DATE :** 11 May 2023

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The Committee on Public Works and Highways of the House of Representatives is inviting the Department to a meeting on **17 May 2023 (Wednesday), 1:00 P.M., at Conference Rooms 3 & 4, Ramon V. Mitra (RVM) Building, HOR Complex, Quezon City** for the initial deliberation of the following:

- I. INITIAL DELIBERATION ON THE FOLLOWING HOUSE BILLS/RESOLUTION
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In this regard, we would like to **request comments/recommendations** on the above-mentioned legislative measures. Kindly submit it **on or before May 16, 2023, at 5 PM** via email at [denrilo@denr.gov.ph](mailto:denrilo@denr.gov.ph). Further, kindly inform us of the name/s of the representative/s from your office who will participate in the meeting so we may include him/her/them as resource person/s.

Attached herewith are the letter and agenda. The copies of the legislative measures can be accessed through this link <https://bit.ly/3LVBKvX>.

**ROMIROSE B. PADIN**

Cc: Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs  
Undersecretary for Integrated Environmental Science



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**Your Honors:**

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Attached is the copy of the agenda of the meeting for your reference. Copies of the abovementioned bills can be downloaded at [www.congress.gov.ph](http://www.congress.gov.ph).

The Committee will strictly implement the one (1) representative per agency rule. We will appreciate receiving your confirmation or your representative's name and designation before the meeting date to be emailed at [cpwhor@yahoo.com](mailto:cpwhor@yahoo.com).

Resource persons/guests who will physically attend the said meeting are hereby required to submit the names of your confirmed attendees with contact (cellphone) number together with a copy their valid ID, official email, and negative antigen test result taken within 24 hours prior to the date and time of the meeting, to be emailed at [cpwhhor@yahoo.com](mailto:cpwhhor@yahoo.com).

Thereafter, an email will be sent to the official email provided by the confirmed attendees where they can access their account at <https://housepass.hrep.online> using the eight (8) character Visitor HREP ID number and the password provided therein.

Once logged in, the system will display the visitor's dashboard and QR Code. The QR code will be scanned in the HREP entry points to determine the identification and access status.

The Visitor must accomplish and submit the Health Declaration Form (HDF) in the House Pass System (<https://housepass.hrep.online>).

With regard to the negative antigen test result, the same shall be administered by a DOH-accredited laboratory, clinic, or government health facility, OR FDA-approved test kits duly certified by a medical doctor taken within 24-hours prior to the date and time of the visit.

*(The list of FDA-approved test kits is accessible on the Official HREP website at <https://www.congress.gov.ph/>).*

If the Visitor does not have an antigen test result yet, they may bring their FDA-approved test kit OR they can purchase it at HREP for 350 pesos.

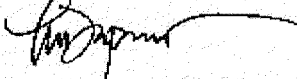
Furthermore, visitors who intend to arrive by personal vehicle must register it on the HousePass System for verification of entry at the North Gate Entrance. The visitor may add companions, provided they are also approved visitors.

Please be guided accordingly.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

**FOR THE HONORABLE CHAIRMAN ROMEO S. MOMO:**



**AILEEN UY DAPURAN**  
Committee Secretary



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**A G E N D A**

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- III. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**
- IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MEMBERS AND RESOURCE PERSONS**
- V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (22 March 2023)**
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*Department of Science and Technology (DOST)*  
*Department of National Defense (DND)*  
*Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)*  
*Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR)*  
*Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)*  
*Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA)*  
*Presidential Legislative Liaison Office (PLLO)*  
*San Miguel Corporation (SMC)*  
*SM Prime Holdings, Inc. (SMPH)*  
*Chamber of Real Estate & Builders' Associations, Inc. (CREBA)*  
*Employees at Subdivision and Housing Developers Association (SHDA)*  
*Philippine Constructors Association Inc.*  
*Laguna Lake Development Authority (LLDA)*  
*Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS)*  
*Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA)*