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**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR :** **The Directors**  
Biodiversity Management Bureau  
Climate Change Service  
Environmental Management Bureau  
Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau  
Forest Management Bureau  
Mines and Geosciences Bureau

**FROM :** **The OIC Director**  
Policy and Planning Service

**SUBJECT :** **INQUIRY REGARDING DENR'S SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY**

**DATE :** **29 AUG 2023**

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This has reference to the letter from Executive Director Doris U. Gacho of the Philippine Domestic Construction Board dated 11 August 2023 requesting information regarding DENR's Sustainability Initiatives related to the Construction Industry.

In particular, the CIAP is requesting information related to sustainable materials, energy-efficient design, waste reduction, and green construction methods as well as accessible programs or incentives designed to benefit the stakeholders within the construction industry. Relatedly, CIAP is also requesting targets and commitments on carbon emissions or any benchmark that we wish to be included in the Philippine Construction Action Plan on Sustainability and Resiliency.

In this regard, may we kindly request your input on the above-stated request, copy furnish our email addresses: [psddivision@gmail.com](mailto:psddivision@gmail.com) or [policy@denr.gov.ph](mailto:policy@denr.gov.ph). We would appreciate receiving your responses **on or before 30 August 2023**, so we can facilitate the Department's submission to CIAP.

For your information and appropriate action, please.

  
**CHERYL LOISE T. LEAL**



11 August 2023

ATTY. JONAS R. LEONES, CESO I  
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Subject: Inquiry Regarding DENR's Sustainability Initiatives in the  
Construction Industry

Dear Undersecretary Leones:

If you may respectfully recall, the Construction Industry Authority of the Philippines (CIAP) through the Philippine Domestic Construction Board (PDCB) leads the implementation of action items under the Policy Reform Advocacy Plan of the Philippine Construction Industry Roadmap 2020-2030.

Of particular interest is the emphasis on fostering sustainability and resiliency in the construction industry as part of the Policy Reform Advocacy Plan. Over the past year, we have been learning about the efforts being made by various member agencies, including the DENR.

As we remain dedicated to implementing the Roadmap's objectives, we would like to respectfully request information about the current programs and initiatives led by the DENR in relation to sustainability, specifically those focused on the construction industry. We are particularly interested on your initiatives related to sustainable materials, energy-efficient designs, waste reduction, green construction methods, as well as any accessible programs or incentives designed to benefit stakeholders within the industry. We would likewise appreciate information on country targets or commitments such as on carbon emission, etc. or benchmarks which we can share with our constituents as we update the Philippine Construction Industry Roadmap Action Plan on Sustainability & Resiliency.

Please feel free to reach out to us through email at [PDCB@construction.gov.ph](mailto:PDCB@construction.gov.ph) for any further discussions or clarifications.

We eagerly anticipate your response and the potential insight into member agencies' initiatives that contribute to a more sustainable future for both the construction industry and our environment as a whole. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Warm regards,

DORIS U. GACHO  
Executive Director



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