



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Natural Resources
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Diliman, Quezon City

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SPECIAL ORDER
NO. 440
Series of 1987

**SUBJECT: Amending Special Order No. 411
creating a Working Group to
Prepare a New Mining Code**

Pursuant to the understanding between the undersigned and the officials of the Chamber of Mines to create a bi-partisan body to prepare a new Mining Code, and to the arrangement agreed upon between the representatives of the government sector and those of the Chamber of Mines in the meeting of July 8, 1987, the Working Group created under Special Order No. 411, Series of 1987, tasked with the preparation of a Mining Code in consonance with the New Constitution, is hereby reconstituted.

Accordingly, the Working Group as reconstituted, shall be composed only of representatives from the government sector, as follows:

- 1) Asst. Secretary Alexander Castro, DENR - Chairman
- 2) Director Benjamin A. Gonzales, BMG - Member
- 3) Asst. Director Guillermo R. Balce, BMG - Member
- 4) Engr. Horacio C. Ramos, BMG - Member
- 5) Representative of the Undersecretary
for Planning and Policy, DENR - Member
- 6) Atty. Antonio Elum, DENR - Member
- 7) Atty. Virginia F. Espina, BMG - Member
- 8) Atty. Ulfredo A. Tuyac, BMG - Member

The Working Group shall meet with its counterpart from the Chamber of Mines, and is authorized to create sub-working groups, conduct hearings, hire consultants and resource persons. Expenses incurred for this purpose shall be allowed and chargeable against

the funds of the Bureau of Mines and Geo-Sciences, subject to applicable accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

The Secretariat created under Special Order No. 425, Series of 1987 pursuant to Special Order No. 411, Series of 1987, is hereby retained.

This Order shall take effect immediately.


FULENCIO S. FACTORAN, JR.
Secretary