



DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND
NATURAL RESOURCES

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DENR Special Order)
No. 819 :
Series of 1993)

SUBJECT: Field validation/spot checking of the timber resources data within the residual forest, Block I of Monte Alto Timber Resources Corp. (TLA No. 280-1) and conduct of investigation on the alleged logging operation of Luzon Mahogany Timber Resources, Inc. (LUZMATIM) at San Mariano, Isabela.

In the interest of the service and pursuant to existing policies and regulations, a Field Validation/Investigation Team is hereby created to conduct a spot check/verification of the timber resources data gathered within Monte Alto Timber Resources Corporation (MATRC) and to conduct an investigation on the alleged violation of Luzon Mahogany Timber Resources, Inc. (LUZMATIM) at San Mariano, Isabela, which Team shall be composed of the following DENR personnel:

<u>Personnel</u>		<u>Office</u>	
Forester Jose Cabanayan, Jr.	-	NAMRIA	- Team Leader
Forester Ronilo Salac	-	PPSO	- Member
Forester Elpidio Molinyawe	-	FMB	- Member
DENR, Region 2 Representative	-		- Member
Raul Palma	-	NAMRIA	- Driver

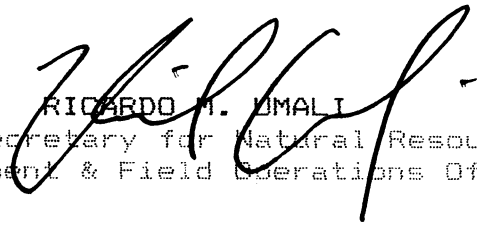
The Field Validation/Investigation Team shall in the conduct of the assigned task, do the following:

1. Make a random check of the areas under Block I residual forest of MATRC subject of the previous timber inventory.
2. Check the establishment of timber cruising strips and sampling units.
3. Within every sampling unit being checked, determine the tree quality of all trees 15 cm dbh and up in accordance with Paragraph 7.1.6 of DENR Memorandum Order No. 8, Series of 1991. Indicate the sound volume and defect observed of each tree in terms of percent soundness and percent cullness, respectively. Specify the corresponding species, diameter, merchantable height and other data, as maybe necessary.


4. Coordinate with the ENR-SECAL relative to the conduct of investigation on the reported violation of LUZMATIM at San Mariano, Isabela. Verify the alleged illegal logging activities of the company as reported by the concerned citizens of San Mariano, Isabela.
5. Take photographs and other relevant information during the fieldwork.
6. Submit field findings, analysis and comments/recommendation upon completion of the fieldwork.

The Team shall coordinate with the Regional Executive Director concerned and is authorized to seek the assistance of any DENR employee within the Region for the early completion of the assigned task. All expenses that shall be incurred incidental to the conduct of spot check/verification shall be charged against the Trust Fund Deposit of Monte Alto Timber Resources Corp. while the conduct of field investigation on alleged violation of LUZMATIM shall be charged against the fund of their respective offices, subject, however, to the usual government accounting and auditing, rules and regulations.

This Order amends DENR Special Order No. 691, Series of 1993, and takes effect immediately.


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