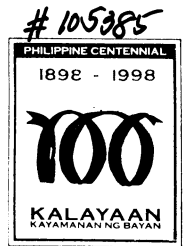




DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND
NATURAL RESOURCES



Special Order
No. 99- 225

SUBJECT: QUICK RESPONSE TEAM TO RE-EVALUATE THE COMMUNITY FOREST MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (CFMA) OF SAMMILIA AND INVESTIGATE AND VALIDATE THE CONCERNS OF FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC. (FDFI) IN ITS APPEAL FOR THE LIFTING OF DENR REGION-13 CONTRACT CANCELLATION DATED DECEMBER 14, 1998.

In the interest of the service, a team is hereby created to re-evaluate the Community Forest Management Agreement (CFMA) of SAMMILIA and to investigate and validate the concerns of Forestry Development Foundation, Inc. (FDFI) in its appeal for the lifting of DENR Region 13 contract cancellation Order dated December 14, 1998, to be composed of the following:

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| 1. Assistant Secretary Napoleon Palo | - Team leader |
| 2. Atty. Diego B. Escaño, Jr. | - Member |
| 3. Forester Nicasio T. Iglesia | - Member |
| 4. Mr. Reginaldo G. Benitez | - Member |
| 5. Ms. Mary Ann Fuentes | - Member |

During the conduct evaluation, the Team shall evaluate the request of Lianga Bay Workers and Retirees Shareholders Multi-Purpose Cooperative (LBWRSCI) for the issuance and restoration of the Timber License Agreement (TLA) of Lianga Bay Logging Company, Inc. (LBLCI) vis-à-vis the existing CFMA of SAMMILIA.

The Team shall also investigate the concerns of the FDFI in its appeal for the lifting of the DENR -13 contract cancellation Order dated December 14, 1998.

The expenses incurred during the investigation and validation shall be charged against the funds of the National Forestation Development Office.

The Team shall submit its report within ten (10) days from the completion of the investigation.

This Order takes effect immediately.


ANTONIO H. CERILLES
Secretary