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SUBJECT : Creating Committees at the National and Regional Levels to Institutionalize the Sustainable Development Management Information System

In the interest of the service and in order to facilitate the institutionalization of the Sustainable Development Management Information System otherwise known as the Grid Program, a GIS-based environment and natural resources database system, a National Program Steering Committee and Regional Coordinating Committees are hereby created.

1. National Program Steering Committee

A National Steering Committee to coordinate the implementation of the Grid program is hereby created and shall be composed of the following:

- Chairman - Director, Decision Support System
- Members - Director, Planning and Policy Service
Director, Human Resources Management Service
Assistant Director, Forest Management Bureau
Assistant Director, Land Management Bureau
Assistant Director, Mines and Geo-sciences Bureau
Assistant Director, Environmental Management Bureau
Assistant Director, Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau
Assistant Director, Protected Areas and Wildlife Bureau
Director, Investment Programming and International Cooperation Service
Director, Project Coordination and Management Service

The Steering Committee shall have the following functions:

1. Recommend to the Secretary the development and promulgation of policies, plans and programs on the implementation of the Grid Program;

2. Dovetail all data gathering and GIS activities of the Department into the Grid Program;
3. Identify sources of funds to support the budgetary requirements of the Grid Program; and
4. Monitor and evaluate the implementation of the Grid Program by the field offices.

In the exercise of its functions, the Steering Committee shall be assisted by a Technical Secretariat to be composed of the following:

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| Chairman | - | Director, Planning and Policy Service |
| Co-Chairman | - | Director, Human Resources Management Service |
| Members | - | Division Chiefs, Planning and Policy Service |
| | | Chief, Technical Training Division, HRMS |
| | | Chief, Management Development Division, HRMS |
| | | Division Chiefs, Foreign Assisted and Special Projects Office |
| | | Representatives from the Bureaus and attached agencies. |

The functions of the Secretariat shall be as follows:

1. Coordinate with the regional offices regarding the implementation of the Grid Program;
2. Assist in the design of pertinent training activities in support of Program implementation;
3. Coordinate with other national government agencies (e.g. NSO, NSCB, DILG, NEDA) regarding possible areas of cooperation to facilitate implementation of Grid Program;
4. Facilitate the conduct of Steering Committee meetings including the preparation of agenda, recording of minutes, etc.; and
5. Provide technical and support services that the Steering Committee may require in the execution of its functions.

2. **Regional Coordinating Committees**

Regional Coordinating Committees shall be created at the Regional Offices. Each Regional Coordinating Committee shall be composed of: the Regional Executive Director (RED) as the Chairman; and the Assistant Regional Executive Directors as members.

The functions of the Regional Coordinating Committee are, as follows:

1. Promulgate regional policies, plans and programs required to implement the Grid Program within their respective jurisdictions;
2. Make available resources to support Grid Program implementation;
3. Monitor and evaluate the implementation of the Grid Program by the PENROs and CENROs;

4. Recommend to the National Steering Committee the adoption of national policies, plans and programs to facilitate implementation of the Grid Program;
5. Liaise/coordinate with regional offices of national government agencies including the Regional Leagues of Provinces, Municipalities and Cities; and
6. Submit quarterly and annual progress reports to the National Steering Committee.

The Regional Coordinating Committee shall be assisted by a Regional Technical Secretariat to be composed of all the Division Chiefs of the different sectors with the Chief, Planning and Management Division as the Head. The Regional Technical Secretariat shall:

1. Coordinate with the PENROs and CENROs regarding the implementation of the Grid Program;
2. Design of pertinent training activities in support of Project implementation at the Regional level including echo training courses/workshops/seminars;
3. Facilitate the conduct of Regional Coordinating Committee meetings including the preparation of agenda, recording of minutes, etc.; and
4. Provide technical and support services that the Regional Coordinating Committee may require in the execution of its functions.

3. **Data Encoding, Collation and Analysis**

The Decision Support System Office (DSSO) which was created under DAO 99-55 shall be responsible for data encoding, and collation at the field and national levels. In conformity with DENR Memorandum Circular 99-25, the DSSO shall submit data collected at the national level to the Planning and Policy Studies Office through the Research and Statistics Division (RSD). The RSD together with the bureaus, attached agencies and concerned offices, shall be responsible for the analysis.

Expenses to be incurred by the National Steering Committee and the National Technical Secretariat in connection with the implementation of this special order shall be charged against PEENRA Funds and other sources to be identified by the committees. Expenses of the Regional Coordinating Committees shall be charged against their respective regional budgets. All expenses are subject to auditing and accounting rules and regulations.

This Order takes effect immediately.



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