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DENR SPECIAL ORDER NO. 2000 - 77

SUBJECT: Creation of a Team to Conduct Ground Investigation on the Reported Alarming State to the Point of Destroying the Ecological Balance due to Mining at the Island Municipality of Rapu-rapu, Albay, specifically in Barangay Sta. Barbara.

In the interest of the service and in pursuit of our commitment to address issues that require immediate solution, a Team is hereby created to conduct immediate investigation/validation relative to the above-mentioned subject to be composed of the following:

1. Asec. Pedro C. Caleon

- Team Leader

2. Ms. Beth Gran

- Member

3. Ms. Abigail Garrido

- Member

The Team is tasked to immediately conduct actual ground investigation/validation on the reported alarming state to the point of destroying the ecological balance due to mining at the island Municipality of Rapu-rapu, Albay, specifically in Barangay Sta. Barbara. The Team shall inform the requesting party (Ms. Gina Lopez) of the findings of the investigation and submit the same to the undersigned ASAP.

The RED's Office and other field offices are herewith directed to extend full assistance to the Team to ensure success in its mandated task.

Travel and other expenses incurred in the discharge of the team's functions shall be chargeable against available funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

For immediate implementation.

ANTONIO H. CERILLES

Secretary