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DENR SPECIAL ORDER
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**SUBJECT : CREATION OF POLICY PREPARATION
AND REVIEW TEAMS FOR THE
ECO-GOVERNANCE PROGRAM**

In the interest of the service and to ensure that proposed policies drafted pursuant to the Grant Agreement between the Republic of the Philippines and the United States of America for the Protection of Productive and Life-Sustaining Natural Resources through Improved Environmental Management and Enforcement otherwise known as the Eco-Governance Program (hereinafter referred to as Eco-Gov Program) are properly prepared, deliberated and widely participated in by the concerned offices, the following guidelines are hereby prescribed:

Section 1. Policy Preparation Team. All policy proposals under the Eco-Gov Program shall be drafted by the Policy Preparation Team (PPT). The PPT shall be principally composed of experts/specialists from the Eco-Gov Technical Assistance Team and their counterparts at the Eco-Gov Program Management Office on the following concerns, among others:

- a. Community-Based Forest Management
- b. Watershed Management
- c. Biodiversity Conservation
- d. Solid Waste Management
- e. Coastal Zone/Ecosystem Management

Should there be a need for other expertise/specialists, the PPT may call on the concerned DENR bureaus and/or offices for assistance and support.

Section 2. Policy Review Team. All policy proposals prepared by the PPT shall be presented to and reviewed by the Policy Review Team (PRT). The PRT shall consist of the following:

- Chairperson : Director, DENR Planning and Policy Studies Service
- Co-Chairperson : Director, Eco-Gov Program Management Office

Members : Director, Forest Management Bureau (FMB)

Director, Protected Areas and Wildlife Bureau (PAWB)

Director, Environmental Management Bureau (EMB)

Executive Director, Coastal and Marine Management Office (CMMO)

Director, DENR Legal Service

The Directors of FMB, PAWB, and EMB may be represented in the PRT by no less than their respective Assistant Directors.

The PRT may likewise call on or invite other officials and employees of the DENR and its other bureaus and agencies depending upon the subject matter being reviewed.

Section 3. Conduct of Round Table Discussions. The PRT may invite representatives from other agencies, institutions, organizations, etc. and conduct round table discussions to further refine the draft policy proposals it is reviewing.

Section 4. Submission of Policy Proposals. The final drafts of all policy proposals, after review by the PRT shall be submitted by the Program Manager, Eco-Gov Program Management Office to the Secretary through the Undersecretary for Policy and Planning.

This Order shall take effect immediately.



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Secretary

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