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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 2003 <u>- 382</u>

Subject:

AUTHORIZING THE CONDUCT OF "NATIONAL CONFERENCE AND SCIENTIFIC MEETING" RELATIVE TO THE OBSERVANCE OF 2003 AS INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF FRESHWATER

In the interest of the service and in conjunction with the global observance of 2003 as the International Year of Freshwater, the conduct of a National Conference and Scientific Meeting with the theme: "Water Resource Management: Applied IEC Approaches" is hereby authorized to be held in partnership with the Environmental Education Network of the Philippines, Inc. (EENP), and the Philippine Watershed Management Coalition (PWMC). The Conference will be held on May 28-30, 2003 at the Imperial Palace Suite, Quezon City.

This joint undertaking aims to give a holistic view of water resource management and shared governance focusing on the application of IEC approaches and strategies. It also aims to provide a venue for partnership and to bring together representatives from various sectors - government, private, NGOs, Civil Society, academe and other water-related agencies to present, discuss and exchange views on the latest research and development efforts on integrated water resource management.

As co-Sponsor of the Conference, the following funding arrangement shall be adopted:

- 1. The cost of Conference kit, supplies and other miscellaneous expenses shall be charged against DIWRM subject to availability of funds and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 2. Traveling expenses of participants shall be charged against funds of their respective offices.
- 3. All other conference-related expenses shall be borne by other co-Sponsors.

This Order takes effect immediately.

Secretary