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SPECIAL ORDER No. 2004- //6

SUBJECT:

CONSTITUTING THE ONE-STOP SHOP COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED UNDER THE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 2003-08

In the interest of the service and pursuant to Section 2 of Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Memorandum Order No. 2003-08 re: Simplification of Procedures in the Issuance of Mining Contracts and Permits, establishing in all the DENR Regional Offices the One-Stop Shop Committee (OSSC) for the issuance of the Area Status and Clearance for mining applications, OSSC in every DENR Regional Office is hereby constituted, as follows:

Chairman

Regional Director, *Mines and Geosciences Bureau*Regional Office

Members:

- Regional Technical Director, Forest Management Service
- Regional Technical Director, Land Management Service
- Regional Technical Director, Protected Areas and Wildlife
  Management Service

The OSSC shall be primarily responsible for the issuance of Area Status and Clearance for mining applications, pursuant to the pertinent provisions of Republic Act No. 7942, the Philippine Mining Act of 1995, and its implementing rules and regulations. For this purpose, the OSSC shall have the following basic functions:

- 1. Approve or deny requests of mining applicants for Area Status and Clearance;
- 2. Compile and maintain a master map of all the land classifications/uses/status of the region; and
- 3. Develop and maintain the necessary databases in support of its functions.

The OSSC Chairman, upon the recommendation of the OSSC members, is hereby authorized to sign the prescribed form approving or denying requests for Area Status and Clearance for mining applications following the applicable procedure in DENR Memorandum Order No. 98-03 re: Guidelines in the Issuance of Area Status and Clearance or Consent for Mining Applications.

The DENR Regional Executive Director concerned shall oversee the operations of and provide the necessary resources for the OSSC.

This Order takes effect immediately and remains in force unless revoked in writing.

Secretary