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**SPECIAL ORDER**

No. 2004-386

**SUBJECT: DEPUTATION OF MR. ROBERTO A. RIGATES OF ILOCOS NORTE  
AS DEPUTY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
OFFICERS (DENRO ).**

Pursuant to the pertinent provisions of existing environment and natural resources laws and regulations, and in order to directly involve the citizenry in the protection and conservation of the country's environment and natural resources, **Mr. ROBERTO A. RIGATES** of Ilocos Norte is hereby deputized as **DEPUTY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICER (DENRO )**.

By virtue of this deputation, he is authorized to detect and investigate violations of natural resources laws, rules and regulations and, in the absence of an authorized DENR personnel arrest even without warrant any person who has committed, is committing or is about to commit in his presence any of the criminal offenses defined under the said laws.

In all instances of detection, arrest and/or seizure, he shall deliver within the period prescribed by law from the time of arrest and seizure the offender including the confiscated natural resources products, tools/equipment and conveyances to, and file the proper complaint with the appropriate official designated by law to conduct preliminary investigation and file information in Court through the CENRO/PENRO/RED concerned, whoever is most expeditiously available.

He shall also act as witness in Court for the speedy prosecution of criminal complaints against environmental and natural resources law violators.

Moreover, he shall assist in the enforcement of laws, rules and regulations, and in the conduct of environment and natural resources information and education campaign such as public meetings/assemblies and other extension activities of DENR Region 1, in coordination with its officials/personnel and/or private agencies involved in similar work.

He shall submit monthly accomplishment reports to the DENR Region 1 using the standard reporting form provided under DENR Administrative Order No. 41, S. 1991.

The DENR Region 1 thru their respective Regional Human Resources Development Units shall provide the necessary trainings/seminars to the DENROs upon the effectivity of this Order.

This Deputation authorizes him only to exercise the power and authority conferred herein within the territorial jurisdiction of DENR Region 1, and is not transferrable.

This Deputation Order takes effect immediately and will expire on 27 MAY 2005 or unless sooner revoked or terminated by this Office.

  
**RENATO A. DE RUEDA**  
Undersecretary for Field Operations