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DENR SPECIAL ORDER NO. 2004-407

SUBJECT:

CREATING THE DENR-JICA JOINT COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF COMMUNITY-BASED FOREST MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IN THE PHILIPPINES

- 1. In the interest of the service and pursuant to the Record of Discussions signed by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) represented by its Resident Representative and the Government of the Republic of the Philippines represented by the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and for the effective implementation of the technical cooperation on the Enhancement of Community Based Forest Management (CBFM), the Joint Coordinating Committee (JCC) is hereby created.
- 2. The Joint Coordinating Committee shall be composed of the following:
 - 2.1. Chairperson Undersecretary for Field Operations, DENR
 - 2.2. Vice-Chairperson- Assistant Secretary for Foreign-Assisted and Special Projects Office, DENR
 - 2.3. Project Director Director, Forest Management Bureau
 - 2.4. Project Coordinator Chief, CBFM Division, FMB
 - 2.5. Project Component Managers (PCM)
 - 2.5.1 Policy Component Director, FMB
 - 2.5.2 Training Component Director, Human Resources Development Service
 - 2.5.3 Model Site Component RTD for Forestry, Region 3
 - 2.5.4 Information Component Chief, Project Support Section, CBFM Division
 - 2.6 Director of Project Coordination and Management Service, Foreign Assisted and Special Projects Office, DENR
 - 2.7 Representative from the Department of Interior and Local Government
 - 2.8 Japanese Experts
 - 2.9 Resident Representative, JICA Philippine Office

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- 3. The JCC shall meet at least once a year and when the need arises in order to perform the following functions:
 - 3.1 To approve the Annual Plan of Operations formulated by the project in accordance with the Record of Discussions;
 - 3.2 To review the overall progress of the project and activities carried out under the Annual Plan of Operations; and
 - 3.3 To exchange views on major issues arising from or in connection with the Project.
- 4. The Official(s) of the Embassy of Japan may attend the Joint Coordination Committee meeting as observer(s). The Chairperson shall name new members or request the attendance of other participants, as necessary, upon agreement of the Committee.
- 5. The Chairperson of the JCC is authorized to call on any DENR office in the pursuit of the project objectives and mandates. He shall regularly inform the DENR Secretary the progress of the project.
- 6. The CBFM Division of FMB shall provide secretariat support to the DENR-JICA JCC and the Project Director
- 7. All expenses incurred by the JCC in the performance of its functions shall be chargeable against the regular funds of DENR and FMB subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 8. This Order takes effect immediately and supersedes other orders inconsistent herewith.

ELISEA G. GOZUN Secretary