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DENR SPECIAL ORDER
NO. 2004- 829

SUBJECT : CREATING A TEAM TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION ON THE ALLEGED OPERATION OF SURIGAO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (SUDECOR) WITHIN THE WATERSHED AREA AT CALIPUNGAN, CARMEN, SURIGAO DEL SUR AND WITHIN THE IMPORTANT BIODIVERSITY AREAS (IBAs) LOCATED AT MT. HILONG-HILONG AND MT. DIWATA RANGES.

In the interest of the service and in response to the request of Ms. Anabelle Plantilla, Executive Director of HARIBON Foundation, a Team is hereby created to conduct investigation on the alleged operation of SUDECOR within the watershed area at Calipungan, Carmen, Surigao del Sur and within the Important Biodiversity Areas (IBAs) located at Mt. Hilong-Hilong and Mt. Diwata Ranges. The team shall be composed of the following:

Forester Rene S. Siapno (FMB)	-Team Leader
Forester George Thiam (FMB)	-Member
Representative, EMB	-Member
Representative, HARIBON Foundation	-Member
Representatives from Regional/ PENRO/CENRO	-Members


The Team shall conduct dialogue/s with the concerned stakeholders within the Municipalities of Lanuza, Surigao del Sur to address and resolve the issues/concerns raised by them. They shall also review the provisions of the approved Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) related to the implementation of the approved Five (5) Year (FY 2004-2009) Integrated Operations Plan (IOP) for TLA No. 56-1 of SUDECOR.

The Team shall coordinate with the DENR field offices and local government units concerned. They are authorized to avail whatever assistance necessary from DENR field offices concerned to facilitate its task.

The Team shall submit a report within one (1) week upon completion of its field work.

All expenses to be incurred by the Team shall be charged against their respective office funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order takes effect immediately.


MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR
Secretary 