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DENR SPECIAL ORDER No. 2004-831

SUBJECT:

CREATION OF A COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE/ ASSESS THE FLASH FLOODING IN NUEVA ECIJA, AURORA AND QUEZON PROVINCES

In view of the occurrence of massive flash floods in the provinces of Nueva Ecija, Aurora and Quezon, a Committee is hereby created to investigate/assess the incident and the reported illegal logging activities and other forms of forest destruction in the vicinities.

The Committee shall be composed of the following:

Lt. Gen. Alfonso P. Dagudag (Ret.)
Undersecretary Ramon J.P. Paje
FMB Director Romeo T. Acosta
PAO Director Virgilio V. Vitug
Assistant Secretary Analiza R. Teh
Atty. Erwin L. Tiamson

ChairpersonVice Chairperson

- Member - Member

MemberMember

The Committee shall have the following functions:

- 1. Assess/evaluate the extent of damages, identify the various causes particularly alleged illegal logging activities and recommend action/s to be taken by the Department to avoid and/or minimize similar incidents in the future;
- 2. Call on any personnel of DENR-CALABARZON and Region III for assistance in the conduct of the investigation;
- 3. Coordinate with the LGUs and key stakeholders in the area for additional information and assistance in carrying out the needed activities; and
- 4. Submit investigation reports within 10 days from the date of this Order.

The Committee shall directly report to General Victor Corpus and the undersigned.

All travelling and other incidental expenses to be incurred during the conduct of this activity shall be charged against their respective offices, subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order takes effect immediately.

MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR

Secretary

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