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**SPECIAL ORDER**

No. 2021- 51

**SUBJECT: AMENDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON THE SEARCH FOR RECOGNIZING INDIVIDUALS/INSTITUTIONS TOWARDS VIBRANT AND ENHANCED RIVERS FOR LIFE AWARD**

In the interest of the service and to recognize individuals/institutions for their contribution in enhancing the state of Philippine rivers nationwide, the creation of the National Committee on the Search for Recognizing Individuals/Institutions towards Vibrant and Enhanced Rivers (R.I.V.E.R.s) for Life Award is hereby amended to be composed of the following:

Over-all Chairperson - Undersecretary for Field Operations and Environment  
Vice Chairperson - Asst. Secretary for Field Operations for Luzon

**Members:**

1. Assistant Secretary for Field Operations for Visayas
2. Assistant Secretary for Field Operations for Mindanao
3. Director, Legal Affairs Service
4. Director, Environmental Management Bureau
5. Director, Human Resource Development Service
6. Executive Director, River Basin Coordinating Office

**Tasks/Functions:**

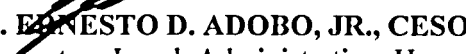

1. Determine the extent of compliance, thoroughness and quality of work demonstrated by the Supervising/Implementing PENROs and CENROs regarding the submission to the Search for the R.I.V.E.Rs for Life Award;
2. Review completeness of documents submitted;
3. Validate concrete actions taken with regards to maintaining or improving the water quality of a specific river within their area of jurisdiction;
4. Validate/verify compliance with the list of requirements/prerequisites using the Criteria on the Search for R.I.V.E.Rs for Life Award;
5. Validate on the ground if competing entries are engaged on an impasse to break the deadlock; and
6. Determine the winners through a Resolution.

The aforesaid Committee shall coordinate with other Offices for any support and/or assistance to facilitate the implementation of their assigned tasks/functions. All officials of the DENR are enjoined to participate and support any related activities of the Search for R.I.V.E.Rs for Life Award activities.

To provide administrative and technical support to the National Committee, a Secretariat shall be created to be headed by the Director of the Environmental Management Bureau with members coming from the Office of the Undersecretary for Field Operations and Environment and Offices of the Assistant Secretaries for Field Operations.

All expenses to be incurred for this purpose shall be charged against CY 2021 DENR funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This order shall take effect immediately.

  
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