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# SUBJECT: DESIGNATING OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL AS MEMBERS OF THE DENR ENVIRONMENTAL TRADE FOCAL GROUP

In the interest of the service and in order to effectively carry out the functions of the DENR to participate in trade-related events, to ensure that environmental laws and policies are duly considered and incorporated in our country's trade negotiations, trade agreements and commitments, and to ensure that the Department is regularly consulted on issues regarding environmental goods and services, various negotiating texts, and other matters related to trade and the environment, the following officials and personnel are hereby designated as members of the DENR Environmental Trade Focal Group:

#### **CHAIRPERSON:**

Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning and Foreign Assisted and Special Projects

#### **VICE-CHAIRPERSON:**

Director, Policy and Planning Service (PPS)

#### **MEMBERS:**

Chief, Policy Studies Division

(4) Technical Staff, Policy Studies Division

#### **Legal Affairs Service**

Director, Legal Affairs Service

Chief, Legal Crisis Prevention and Management Division

(1) Lawyer, Legal Crisis Prevention and Management Division

#### **Climate Change Service**

Chief, Climate Change Information and Technical Support Division

#### **Biodiversity Management Bureau**

Chief, Wildlife Resources Division

Chief, Wildlife Regulation Section

(1) Technical Staff, Wildlife Regulation Section

#### **Forest Management Bureau**

Chief, Forest Policy, Planning and Knowledge Management Division

#### Chief, Forest Economics Section

(1) Technical Staff, Forest Policy Section

## Chief, Forest Investment Development Division

Chief, Forest Investment Packaging Section

## Chief, Forest Resources Management Division

(1) Technical Staff, Forest Resources Management Division

## **Environmental Management Bureau (EMB)**

## Chief, Policy, Planning and Program Development Division

(1) Technical Staff, Policy, Planning and Program Development Division

### Chief, Environmental Quality Management Division

- (1) Technical Staff, Chemical Management Section
- (2) Technical Staff, Hazardous Waste Management Section
- (2) Technical Staff, Air Quality Management Section

#### Chief, Solid Waste Management Division

(1) Technical Staff Solid Waste Management Division

## Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB)

## Chief, Mining Tenements Management Division

(1) Technical Staff, Mining Tenements Management Division

#### Chief, Mineral Economics, Information and Publication Division

(3) Technical Staff, Mineral Economics, Information and Publication Division

## Chief, Metallurgical Technology Division

(1) Technical Staff, Metallurgical Technology Division

## **Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau (ERDB)**

## Chief, Urban Ecosystem Research Division

Legal Officer, Office of the Director

Attached in this Order is the list of members with their corresponding designation, contact information, and field of expertise who shall compose the DENR Trade Focal Group (**Annex A**), which shall be updated as necessary.

Roles and Responsibilities. The DENR Environmental Trade Focal Group shall act as follows:

1. Update DENR officials on the current environmental trade-related issues which may arise during trade negotiations or regular inter-agency meetings;

- 2. Provide appropriate environmental trade-related data, information, or position that may be requested by other government agencies such as the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), National Economic Development Authority (NEDA), etc., to address sectoral environmental trade-related issues; and,
- 3. Participate in trade-related meetings, trainings, workshops and related events.

Expenses to be incurred from the conduct of activities shall be charged against each respective offices allocation, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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