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SPECIAL ORDER
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SUBJECT: CREATION OF A TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG) ON ENHANCING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) PROCESS OF MINING PROJECTS IN CLIMATE-VULNERABLE AND PROTECTED AREAS IN THE PHILIPPINES

In the interest of service and to properly implement Enhancing Environmental Impact Assessment Process of Mining Projects in Climate-Vulnerable and Protected Areas in the Philippines under Canada's Technical Assistance Partnership - Expert Deployment Mechanism (TAP EDM) Project, a TWG is hereby created to be composed of the following:

Chairperson : **Dr. Noralene M. Uy**
Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning, and Foreign-Assisted and Special Projects

Vice Chairperson : **Engr. Esperanza A. Sajul**
OIC, Assistant Director and concurrent Chief, Environmental Impact Assessment and Management Division (EIAMD), EMB Central Office

Members :

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- Ms. Nelgie Ann Belesario

Climate Change Service (CCS)

- EnP. Raquel Smith C. Ortega
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- Mr. Mervin Murillo, Project Preparation Division

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- Engr. Marivic Yao, Environmental Impact Assessment and Management Division, EIAMD
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- Engr. Jose Paulo Aragoncillo
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Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB)

- Engr. Marcial H. Mateo, Mine Safety, Environment and Social Development Division
- For. Glaiza B. Del Rosario
- Engr. Ivy Kimberly A. Batecan

Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB)

- Mr. Anson Tagtag, Wildlife Resources Division
- For. Francisco Feliciano, National Parks Division
- Ms. Winnievir Balilia, Biodiversity Policy and Knowledge Management Division
- EnP. Argean S. Guiaya, Caves, Wetlands and other Ecosystems Division
- Ms. Siara Jeanne Nulada, Coastal and Marine Division

Forest Management Bureau (FMB)

- For. Ma. Teresa G. Aquino, Forest Resources Conservation Division
- For. Jhun B. Barit
- For. Oliver C. Barrientos

Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau (ERDB)

- For. Paul Jay Cuadra, Forest Ecosystem Research Division
- Engr. Timothy John M. Dizon, Forest Ecosystem Research Division

The DENR TWG, shall perform the following functions:

1. Provide support to Alinea International in identifying, assessing and evaluating emerging issues and concerns relevant to the environmental impacts of mining projects;
2. Provide administrative and logistics support for workshops, meetings and focus group discussions;
3. Conduct and attend capacity-building activities on Environmental Impact Assessment and related subject matter; and
4. Perform other related functions as may be directed.

To facilitate coordination and communication between the Department and Alinea International and to ensure participation of concerned offices in consultations, workshops, and focus group discussions, the Climate Change Mainstreaming and Integration Division (CCMID), Climate Change Service, shall provide Secretariat services.

Expenses to be incurred in the conduct of activities shall be charged against each respective office's allocation, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately.




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Undersecretary for Organizational Transformation
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