Administrative Order No. 79 December 28, 1987

SUBJECT:

Amendment of Certain Provisions of WIDA Circular No. 1-85, Series of 1985 Re: Prescribing Guidelines in the Preparation, Submission, and Approval of the Integrated Annual Operations Plan for Holders of Timber Licenses

- 1. Pursuant to the pertinent provisions of Executive Order No. 192 dated June 10, 1987, and in order to facilitate the preparation, submission and approval of Integrated Annual Operations Plans of timber license/ permit holders, Sections 1, 4 and 6 of WIDA Circular No. 1-85 dated December 19, 1985 are hereby amended to read as follows:
 - "1. All holders of commercial timber licenses shall, in consonance with existing regulations and/or the terms and conditions of their licenses, submit their Integrated Annual Operations Plan (IAOP) to the Regional Executive Director for deliberation and approval."
 - "4. In order to provide sufficient time for the Regional Executive Director to evaluate the Plans submitted in consonance hereof, such plans should be submitted to the Office of the RED not later than thirty (30) days prior to the start of calendar year covered thereby. In the case, however, of newly-issued timber licenses or permits, the Plan should be submitted not later than thirty (30) days prior to the start of the cutting operation."
 - "6. The Regional Executive Director concerned shall approve the submitted IAOPs, subject to the following conditions:
 - 6.1 Timber licensees have no unpaid forestry accounts. After approval of the IAOP, the licensee shall be required to pay the license fee in full;

Timber licensees have updated and validated their forestry bonds;

- 6.3 Timber licensees have not committed serious violations of the terms and conditions of their licenses specifically in reforestation, forest protection and selective logging;
- In case the holders of timber licenses have an approved Five-Year Forest Management Plan, the approval of the IAOP by the Regional Executive Director is final; and
- 6.5 In case the timber licensees have submitted their Five-Year Forest Management Plans but have not yet been approved, the timber licensee concerned may start their logging operation once their IAOP is approved by the Regional Executive Director concerned, subject however, to amendment/s the Secretary may impose in his final approval of the Five-Year Plan;
- The timber licensee/permittee shall indicate in the IAOP their reforestation scheme which requires the reforestation of one hectare for every hectare logged. The licensee shall make a deposit for reforestation equivalent to an amount to be determined by the Secretary on a per year basis which for 1988 shall be P10,000 per hectare. The amount shall be remitted to the Trust Fund for reforestation. The Department reserves the right to qualify the same TLA holders or other entities to enter into contract reforestation using the same deposits collected. Payment can be staggered in accordance with the approved schedule defined in the operations plan.
- 2. The Regional Executive Director shall furnish the Forest Management Bureau and the Office of the Undersecretary for Field Operations a copy of the Operations Plan, within fifteen (15) days from approval hereof.
- 3. All other provisions of WIDA Circular No. 1-85, Series of 1985 which are not inconsistent herewith shall remain in force and effect.
- 4. This Order shall take effect immediately.

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