## DENR Administrative Order No. 2 Jan. 20, 1988

**SUBJECT**: Amending Further Paragraph C.

Section 10 of Ministry Administrative Order No. 48, re: Regulations and Guidelines Implementing the Integrated Social Forestry Program (ISFP)

Pursuant to Letter of Instruction No. 1260 dated 28 July 1982 and in line with the Government's policy to democratize the disposition of public forest lands and to promote more equitable distribution of the forest resources, paragraph C. Section 10 of Ministry Administrative Order No. 48, series of 1982 is hereby amended as follows:

- "Section 10. <u>Prohibited Areas</u>. The following conditions will render an area prohibited from forest occupancy under this program:
  - c) The area is the subject of a valid timber license agreement (TLA), pasture lease agreement (PLA), industrial tree plantation lease agreement (ITP), agroforestry farm lease agreement (AFLA), or any approved government lease or project for purpose other than the ISF program."

The foregoing provisions to the contrary notwithstanding, the following areas may be allowed for development:

- 1. Areas within existing TLA, PLA, ITP or AFLA which have been occupied as of Dec. 31, 1981 and developed up to the present, and are devoid of standing timber, and where there is consent, either actual or implied or acquiescence by the license or lease holder.
- 2. Communal forest, communal pasture or any other BFD project which has ceased to serve its original intention, neglected or abandoned as determine by a

study team to be designated by the Secretary or his authorized representative.

Provided, that the concerned forest occupants shall develop the land into productive agroforestry farms using economically feasible and environmentally accepted practices; provided, further, that they shall protect and conserve the forest trees and forest products naturally growing thereat and shall cooperate with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in the protection of forest areas immediately adjacent thereto; provided, finally that any ISF participants who expand their cultivation outside the areas allocated to them and violate forest rules and regulations shall be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of PD 705, as amended.

This Order shall take effect immediately and revoke Ministry Administrative Order No. 39 series of 1986.

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