Memorandum Order No. 02 February 08, 1993

> SUBJECT: Adoption of Ecological Solid Waste Management System in the DENR

It is a fact that the problem on solid wastes in the country, especially in urban centers, is brought about by the huge volume of wastes that have to be collected and disposed. While there are efforts to design proper landfill and transfer stations, the real solution to this solid waste problem lies in addressing the source of the problem - each one of us who generates these wastes.

In this connection, the DENR (Central Office, Bureaus, the Attached Agencies and all Field Offices) hereby adopts an ECOLOGICAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM to serve as an example on how the solid waste problem should be addressed.

This Ecological Solid Waste Management System will have two main components:

- 1. waste minimization or reduction of wastes that are generated, and
- 2. proper segregation/packaging of waste so that all those that can be recycled and reused can be recovered.

Attached is a diagram patterned after the Zero Waste Technology and the general guidelines for implementing same.

All heads of offices, service chiefs and division chiefs are hereby instructed to discuss this with their respective staff, identify ways and means of minimizing the wastes which each office/unit generates and plan and implement this system.

Everyone is encouraged to think of innovative ways to minimize the wastes that they generate and how the system can best be implemented in their respective unit and submit same for evaluation.

A DENR Committee is hereby constituted to evaluate these suggestions and plans to determine which are the best ones worthy of due recognition and possible awards. Said Committee shall be composed of:

Assistant Secretary Manuel E. Gonzalez, Jr. - Chairman
Director Rodrigo U. Fuentes - Member
Director Erlinda P. Meram - Member
Mrs. Elisea G. Gozun - Member

For immediate compliance.

ANGEL C. ALCALA Secretary