Proclamation No. 635 August 28, 1995

SUBJECT: Excluding from the Marikina Watershed Reservation

Certain Parcels of Land Embraced Therein for Use as Sanitary Landfill Sites and Similar Waste Disposal Under the Administration of the Metropolitan Manila

**Development Authority.** 

WHEREAS, to safeguard the availability of potable water for the population of Metro Manila and the adjoining provinces and municipalities, the government had reserved parcels of land identified as the Marikina Watershed Reservation;

WHEREAS, while the areas delineated as part of the Watershed Reservation are intended primarily for use in projects and/or activities designed to contain and preserve the underground water supply, other peripheral areas had been included within the scope of the reservation to provide for such space as may be needed for the construction of the necessary structures, other related facilities, as well as other priority projects of government as may be eventually determined.

WHEREAS, to cope with the requirements of the growing population in Metro Manila and the adjoining provinces and municipalities, certain developed and open portions of the Marikina Watershed Reservation, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources should now be excluded from the scope of the reservation;

WHEREAS, there is now an urgent need to provide for, and develop, the necessary facilities for the disposal of the waste generated by the population of Metro Manila and the adjoining provinces and municipalities, to ensure their sanitary and/or hygienic disposal;

WHEREAS, To cope with the requirements for the development of the waste disposal facilities that may be used, portions of the peripheral areas of the Marikina Watershed Reservation, after due consideration and study, have now been identified as suitable sites that may be used for the purpose;

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources has recommended the exclusion of these areas that have been so identified from the Marikina Watershed Reservation so that they may then be developed for the purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the aforecited premises, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby ordain:

Section 1. General. That certain parcels of land, embraced by the Marikina Watershed Reservation, were found needed for use in the solid waste disposal program of the government in Metropolitan Manila, are hereby excluded from that which is held in reserve and are now made available for use as sanitary landfill and such other related waste disposal applications.

Section 2. Purpose. The areas being excluded from the Marikina Watershed Reservation are hereby placed under the administration of the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority, for development as Sanitary Landfill, and/or for use in the development of such other related waste disposal facilities that may be used by the cities and municipalities of Metro Manila and the adjoining province of Rizal and its municipalities.

Sec.tion 3. Technical Description. Specifically, the areas being hereby excluded from the Marikina Watershed Reservation consist of two (2) parcels, with an aggregate areas of approximately ONE MILLION SIXTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY NINE (1,0660,529) square meters more or less, as follows:

Parcel A

(Technical Description omitted)

beginning, with an area of SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY SIX THOUSAND AND EIGHTY-ONE (736,081) square meters, more or less, subject to existing vested rights, if there be any, and subject to the results of final ground verification and survey.

Parcel B

A parcel of land situated in the municipality of San Mateo, Province of Rizal, bounded on the South along line 15-16, on the West along lines 16-1, 1-6 by timberland; on the Northwest along lines 6-8 and on the Northeast along lines 8-14 and on the Southeast along line 14-15 by Marikina Watershed Reservation.

Beginning at a point marked "1" beginning N 46 deg. 37'W, 470.92 m from MWR No. 49; thence

(Technical Description omitted)

beginning with an areas of THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND AND FOUR HUNDRED FOURTY-EIGHT (324,338) square meters, subject to existing vested rights if any there be and subject to the results of final ground verification and survey.

Section 4. Reservations. The development, construction, use and/or operation of any facility that may be established within the parcel of land herein excluded from the Marikina Watershed Reservation shall be governed by existing laws, rules and regulations pertaining to environmental control and management. When no longer needed for sanitary landfill purposes or the related waste disposal activities, the parcels of land subject of this Proclamation shall revert back as part of the Marikina Watershed Reservation, unless otherwise authorized.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 28th day of August in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety five.

FIDEL V. RAMOS
President

By the President:

RUBEN D. TORRES Executive Secretary