DENR Administrative Order No. 98 - 09 February 26, 1998

> SUBJECT : Amending Sections 3, 6, 7 and 10 of DENR Administrative Order No. 41, Series of 1991, Governing the Deputation of Environment and Natural Resources Officers.

To facilitate the involvement of the citizenry particularly at the sitio and barangay levels towards the protection and management of environment and natural resources, Sections 3, 6, 7 and 10 of DENR Administrative Order No. 41, Series of 1991 as amended by DENR No. AO 96-14, is hereby amended as follows:

1. Section 3. Who May Be Deputized.

Section 3.6 and 3.8 shall be integrated as item 3.6 and amended to read as follows:

3.6 Participants of the Community-Based Forest Management Program (CBFMP) and Ancestral Domain Management Program (ADMP);

- 2. Section 6. Processing of Applications and Approval of Deputation Orders.
 - 6.1 At the Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENR Office)

Sections 6.1.1 and 6.1.3 shall be reworded to read as follows:

- 6.1.1 Receive, check and ensure that applications for deputation is complete satisfy the requirements herein set forth;
- 6.1.3 Process and forward to the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO) all applications for deputation bearing the CENRO's categorical comments and recommendations, as follows:
 - 6.1.3.1 For applications of the participants of CBFMP and ADMP: for approval of the PENRO;
 - 6.1.3.2 For all other applications for SDENROs: for approval of the Regional Executive Director;
 - 6.1.3.3 For all other applications for DENROs; for approval of the Secretary;
- 6.2 At the Provincial and Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENR Office)

Section 6.2.1 and 6.2.2 shall be reworded to read as follows:

- 6.2.1 Review and approve applications of the participants of CBFMP and ADMP as Deputy Environment and Natural Resources Officers (DENROs).
- 6.2.2 Endorse to the Regional Executive Director all other applications for deputation as follows:
 - 6.2.2.1 For all other applications for SDENROs: for approval of the Regional Executive Director;
 - 6.2.2.2 For all other applications for DENROs: for approval of the Secretary;

Section 6.4 shall be added as follows:

6.4 Copies of deputation orders shall be furnished by the approving authority to the following: concerned CENRO, the Director of the Forest Management Bureau, the DENR Central Office Records, the Undersecretary for Field Operations, concerned LGUs and the Secretary, as the case maybe.

3. Section 7. Orientation and Training of DENRO and SDENRO

The CENRO and PENRO in cooperation with the Regional human Resources and Management Section shall plan and conduct orientation and training of DENRO and SDENRO immediately prior to their assumption of duty. The orientation and training aims to ensure that they can effectively perform their functions.

4. Section 10. Renewal of Deputation Orders.

All the provisions of this section remain enforced for all other DENROs and SDENROs. However for DENROs coming from CBFMP and ADMP, the following provisions are hereby added to section 10:

The PENRO is hereby authorized to renew the deputation orders of DENROs from CBFMP and ADMP whose performance have been found to be very satisfactory. Said renewal should be based on the recommendation of the concerned CENRO who must evaluate the performance of DENROs form CBFMP and ADMP. Therefore, such evaluation shall be the basis of the CENRO in recommending to the PENRO the renewal of deputation orders of DENROs form CBFMP and ADMP. All offices previously furnished with copies of deputation orders shall be furnished with renewal of such orders by the approving authority.

All other provisions of DENR Administrative order No. 41, Series of 1991 as amended by DENR Administrative Order No. 96-14 not amended shall remain enforced and in effect.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

(Sgd.) VICTOR O. RAMOS Secretary