

**DENR Memorandum Order
No. 99 – 30
October 20, 1999**

**SUBJECT : Authority To Approve PLTP
Applications**

In view of the persistent clamor from private landowners for the expeditious processing of their applications for permit to cut and utilize naturally growing trees that are currently forwarded to the DENR Central Office for evaluation and approval, the authority to process and approve Private Land Timber Permit (PLTP) applications is hereby restored to the Regional Executive Directors (REDs), subject to the following conditions:

- a. The authority shall only cover individual applications of twenty-five (25) cubic meters (cu. m.)/applicant/year and below;
- b. All the requirements and/or pertinent guidelines shall be strictly complied with;
- c. Adequate safeguards shall be instituted to avoid abuses and/or violations of existing PLTP guidelines and/or the terms and conditions of the permit; and
- d. Monthly consolidated reports together with the individual permits issued shall be submitted to this office through the Director, Forest Management Bureau.

Authority to approve applications covering volumes over 25 cu. m. shall remain vested with the undersigned. Such applications, therefore, together with the corresponding reports and recommendations shall be forwarded to the DENR Central Office for processing. The restored authority likewise does not cover applications for permit to cut and utilize naturally growing trees

within private lands covered by Private Forest Development Agreements (PFDAS) and Special Private Land Timber Permits (SPLTPs).

All other orders/instructions inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

(Sgd.) ANTONIO H. CERILLES
Secretary