DENR Memorandum Order No. 2000 – 02 February 07, 2000

SUBJECT: Involvement of PENROs/CENROs in the conduct of Population and Housing Census 2000

Pursuant to Batas Pambansa Blg. 72, an Act providing for the taking of an integrated census every ten years, the National Statistics Office (NSO) will conduct in May 2000, a Census on Population and Housing (Census 2000). This Act also provided for the creation of Census Coordination Boards at the national, provincial and city/municipal levels, in which the Provincial Governors, City/Municipal Mayors, serve as chairmen of the Local Census Boards. These Census Boards may also call upon any instrumentality of the government for any assistance in the performance of their duties.

In line with this, the PENROs/CENROs are enjoined to assist the Local Census Boards in the following activities:

- 1. guidance in the delineation of barangay boundaries during the mapping operations;
- 2. identification of the barangays within the forestlands/public forests;
- 3 publicity and information drive; and
- 4. other assistance necessary to achieve the success of Census 2000.

To ensure DENR interests in this cooperative endeavor, PENROs/CENROs must identify the forestlands/public forests, barangays (DENR-administered lands) in the census of population of these areas for formulation of policies, and for planning and decision-making.

The REDs are enjoined to give this Order top priority.

## THIS ORDER TAKES EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

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