

**DENR Administrative Order
No. 2001-07
January 16, 2001**

**SUBJECT : Suspending the Implementation of
DAO No. 2000-63 Dated 31 July
2000 and Reverting the Rates of
Forest Charges to and Under DAO
No. 95-19 Pursuant to Republic
Act 7161 (R.A. 7161).**

Pursuant to the provision of Sections 3, 4 and 5 of R.A. 7161 and based on 1999 FOB Market Price survey of timber and other forest products, DAO 2000-63 was issued.

In view however, of the representation made by the Philippine Wood Producers Association and members of the wood industry that they have not been consulted nor participated in the formulation of the new rates as mandated under R.A. 7161 and finding merit in their claim that the new rates of forest charges promulgated under the aforesaid DAO are deemed very high, and not reflective of the actual 1999 FOP market prices, and therefore making local wood products uncompetitive in the market, the implementation of DAO No. 2000-63 is hereby ordered suspended until further notice. Meanwhile, DAO 95-19 shall be in force. The Committee under Section 6 of RA 7161 which is tasked to determine the actual FOB market price shall convene immediately so that the actual current rates of forest charges can be finally determined and implemented with the full participation of all its members.

This Order supersedes DAO 2000-63 and shall take effect immediately.

(Sgd.) ANTONIO H. CERILLES
Secretary