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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2002- _______ JAN 2 3 2002

SUBJECT: INITIAL DESIGNATION OF AIRSHED FOR METRO MANILA

Pursuant to Section 9 of the Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999 (RA 8749) and Sections 1 to 11, Rule XIV, Part V of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (DENR Administrative Order 2000-81) the following areas are hereby and initially designated part of Metro Manila airshed:

Region III Province of Pampanga to include the municipalities/cities of Mabalacat, Balibago, Angeles City, San Fernando City, San Simon, Apalit,Sta. Rita, Bacolor, Lubao, Guagua, Sasmoan, Prado and San Roque;

Province of Bulacan to include the municipalities/city of Calumpit, Malolos, Balagtas, Marilao, Meycauayan, Sta. Maria, Angat, Baliuag, San Rafael, Norzagaray, San Jose Del Monte City, and Muzon;

Province of Bataan to include the municipalities/city of Hermosa, Orani, Samal, Abucay, Balanga, Pilar, Orion, Limay and Mariveles.

National Capital Region

The National Capital Region to include the municipalities/cities of Valenzuela, Navotas, Malabon, Manila, Mandaluyong, Makati, San Juan, Pasig, Marikina, Quezon City, Caloocan, Muntinlupa, Las Pinas, Paranaque, Pasay, Taguig and Pateros;

Region IV-A Province of Rizal to include the municipalities/city of Taytay, Angono, Cainta, San Mateo, Montalban, and Antipolo City;

Province of Cavite to include the municipalities/cities of Kawit, Cavite City, Bacoor, Imus, Noveleta, Tanza, General Trias, Naic, Ternate, Maragondon, Magallanes, Indang, Alfonso, Dasmarinas, Carmona, and Trece Martirez City;

Province of Laguna to include the municipalities of San Pedro, Sta. Rosa, Cabuyao, Canlubang, Calamba, and Los Banos;

Province of Batangas to include the municipalities/cities of Sto. Tomas, Tanauan, Malvar, Lipa City, Batangas City, Cuenca, San Jose, Bauan, San Pascual, Nasugbu, and Lian

This designation is based on the criteria set forth under DAO 2000-81 and Article II, Section 1.02 (c) of the Metro Manila Air Quality improvement Sector Development Program Loan Agreement having the same or almost similar topography (i.e. few meters difference in elevation), physical development (i.e. urbanization, industrialization activities etc.), affected by a common meteorological condition (i.e. wind velocity, wind speed, temperature), and results of ambient air monitoring (per baseline air quality data).

Further, pursuant to Section 12, Rule XV, Part V of the DAO 2000-81, the airshed shall be re-designated upon consultation with appropriate local government authorities, the Secretary of the Department, upon recommendation of the Bureau shall, from time to time, review, revise, amend and/or expand the designation utilizing eco-profiling, approved air monitoring techniques, validation and scientific studies.

This Circular takes effect immediately and shall remain enforced unless repealed or revoked in writing.

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Secretary