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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2002 - O1

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SUBJECT:

AMENDING SECTION 4 (PROGRAM MANAGEMENT) OF DENR ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER (DAO) NO. 2000 - 102 ENTITLED "ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM ON LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT (ENRPM)".

In the interest of the service and pursuant to Executive Order 192 dated July 10, 1987 mandating the DENR to be the primary agency responsible for the conservation, management and development and proper use of the country's environment and natural resources, the following are issued for the guidance of all concerned:

Section 1. Section 4 (Program Management) of DAO 2000 - 102 is hereby amended to read as:

"The overall direction and management of the NSP shall be lodged with the Undersecretary for Environment and Natural Resources Legal, Lands and International Affairs who shall chair and get advice from a multi-partite body to be known as the Multi-partite Advisory Committee for the NSP (MAC-NSP) on local ENRPM. The MAC-NSP shall also assist in formulating policies to enhance a policy environment for strengthening the ENRPM process and its future institutionalization into the mainstream of local government units (LGUs).

The members of the MAC-NSP shall include the DENR Undersecretary for Policy and Planning, Department of Interior and Local Government Assistant Secretary for Local Government, Directors of the Environmental Management Bureau, Mines and Geo-sciences Bureau, Lands Management Bureau, and Forest Management Bureau, Presidents of the Leagues of Provinces, Cities, and Municipalities of the Philippines. The MAC-NSP shall be instituted as soon as possible, and for this purpose, an interagency memorandum agreement shall be executed by and between DENR, and the participating agencies defining therein the extent of each parties participation and responsibilities.

A National Support Program Management Office (NSPMO) shall be created under the Office of the Undersecretary for Environment and Natural Resources Legal, Lands and International Affairs to be directly supervised by a program director and assisted by a deputy program director designated by the DENR Secretary as

recommended by Undersecretary for Environment and Natural Resources Legal, Lands and International Affairs. The main functions of the NSPMO shall be to manage the implementation of the program and to serve as the secretariat of the MAC-NSP. The expertise of the present staff of the Local EPM Project shall be tapped to initially operationalize the NSPMO. Additional staff from different units of the DENR Central Office shall be identified and detailed on a full-time basis to the NSPMO.

At the regional level, the Chiefs of the Regional Planning and Management Division shall be designated as the focal persons for purposes of coordinating the program.

A pool of technical experts shall be created to respond to the required technical assistance and training needs of LGU expansion areas. The experts shall be drawn from the DENR's Foreign-Assisted and Special Projects Office, Planning and Policy Studies Office, regional offices and sectoral bureaus both at the central office and regional levels, and its attached agencies. If deemed necessary, the technical expertise of other government agencies, academe, NGOs, and private entities shall be sought, and for this purpose, an agreement shall be entered into by and between the Department and the participating agencies".

Section 2. Repealing Clause.

Section 4 of DAO 2000 - 102 is hereby repealed and modified accordingly. The remaining provisions of DAO 2000 -102 shall remain enforced unless revoked.

Section 3. Effectivity.

This order shall take effect immediately.

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Recommending approval:

Undersecretary for Environment and

Natural Resources Legal, Lands and-

International Affairs