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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
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SUBJECT : CONFIRMING THE VALIDITY AND CLARIFYING THE COVERAGE OF THE DENR MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 99-24 IMPLEMENTING THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DENR AND PWPA.

1. For the information, guidance, and compliance of all concerned, the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) entered into by and between the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and Philippine Wood Producers Association (PWPA) which is the subject of DENR Memorandum Circular No. 99-24 dated November 15, 1999 is hereby confirmed and reiterated. Copy of said Memorandum Circular 99-24 is herewith attached.
2. In consonance with the provisions of Article 1311 of the Civil Code of the Philippines, the MOA is effective only between the parties, their assigns, and heirs, meaning, DENR on the one hand and PWPA and its members on the other hand. Thus, the provisions of the MOA shall apply only to members of the PWPA as stated in a membership list submitted by PWPA to DENR pursuant to item number 5 herein.
3. Experience has shown that the fair implementation of the MOA not only has transformed the wood industry into a more cohesive, stronger and more competitive sector but it has also become an effective partner of the government in generating employment, tax revenues and foreign exchange earnings that have been useful in advancing the socio-economic progress of the country and the protection of the environment.
4. In furtherance of the objectives of said MOA, all CENROs, PENROs and REDs are enjoined to implement and enforce the requirements spelled out in Section 2 of Memorandum Circular No. 99-24 as part of their continuing monitoring and evaluation functions for effective clientele service for manual benefits, to assist PWPA in organizing its chapters in their respective locale.
5. The list of PWPA members shall be submitted to this Office through the Forest Management Bureau within one month from the date of this Circular and shall be updated and submitted on or before December 15 of every year. The PWPA may, however, submit at any time an amended listing of its members as it deems necessary. The information therein shall form part of the DENR databank and FMB Forestry Statistics.

For the guidance of all concerned.


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