



Republic of the Philippines  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
*Visayas, Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City*

January 13, 2005

**MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 01-2005**

**SUBJECT : SPECIAL RECOVERY AUTHORITY FOR  
DRIFTED TOPS AND BRANCHES FOR  
CHARCOAL MAKING IN QUEZON AND  
AURORA.**

In view of the calamities affecting the Provinces of Aurora and Quezon resulting to extensive damage to property and loss of livelihood as well as to hasten the rehabilitation of major infrastructures in the said areas, a special wood recovery permit is hereby authorized for drifted tops and branches for charcoal making subject to the following guidelines:

1. The tops and branches of drifted wood and uprooted trees with maximum diameter of 10 cms. and below regardless of length are the subject of this Order;
2. The applicant must submit, in addition to the usual requirements, a certification from the local officer of the Department of Social Welfare and Development that the applicant is among those affected by the recent calamities and a certification from the Barangay Chairman that the applicant is bonafidé resident of the area where the tops and branches are to be recovered;
3. A complete inventory shall be conducted to validate/verify the actual site and existence of the wood (tops and branches) to be recovered. The recovered tops and branches must be piled/arranged in Talaksan method;
4. Prior to the transport of the charcoal form, a pre-transport verification shall be conducted and that corresponding forest charges shall be paid by the applicant to the concerned CENRO. Upon payment of the said charges, the CENRO shall issue the corresponding transport permit to the applicant;
5. A maximum of 15 cu. meters per applicant shall be issued to ensure that all residents of the affected barangays will be benefited by the foregoing special wood recovery permit and;
6. The special wood recovery authority and transport permit for charcoal derived from these recovered wood waste shall be

valid for a non-extendible (30) thirty working days beginning  
January 13 2005

Any deviation or non-compliance with the above policy shall be  
considered as a violation of forestry law and shall be dealt with  
accordingly.

  
SEC. MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR