January 13, 2005

MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 02 – 2005

SUBJECT | **SPECIAL RECOVERY AUTHORITY FOR STUMPS OF DRIFTED LOGS AND UPROOTED TREES 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 stumps of drifted logs and uprooted trees subject to the following guidelines:

1. The subject of this Order shall be stumps to be recovered from drifted logs and uprooted trees;
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 stumps are to be recovered;
3. A complete inventory shall be conducted to validate/verify the actual site and existence of the wood (stumps) to be recovered.
4. Prior to the transport of the wood recovered (stumps), 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 shall be a valid for a non-extendible (30) thirty working days beginning on 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.

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