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**SPECIAL ORDER**  
No. 2005- 828

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**SUBJECT : CREATING A DENR COMMITTEE ON DEVOLUTION (COMDEV) AS COUNTERPART OF THE DILG COMDEV**

In compliance with Executive Order No. 444 and in line with the ongoing preparation of the DENR Rationalization Plan, a DENR Committee on Devolution is hereby created with the following composition:

Chair            Director Romeo T. Acosta  
Members       Representatives from (at least Division Chief level):

Office of the Undersecretary for Planning and Policy  
Land Management Bureau  
Forest Management Bureau  
Environmental Management Bureau  
Mines and Geosciences Bureau  
Parks and Wildlife Bureau  
CMT Secretariat

Within five (5) working days from issuance of this Order, the abovementioned offices shall inform the Secretary, through the Undersecretary for Management and Technical Services, of their respective permanent representatives in the Committee.

The ComDev shall perform the following functions:

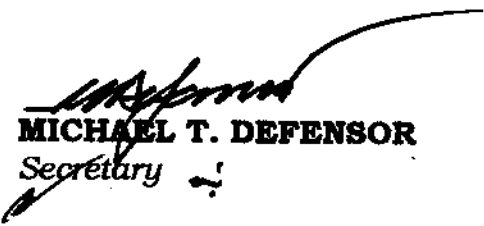
1. conduct a preliminary assessment of environment and natural resources management (ENRM) functions devolved to LGUs; in terms of which have been totally, partially or not devolved to LGUs;
2. initiate and conduct consultations with various DENR offices on issues relating to objectives and purposes of EO 444;
3. identify DENR services and functions that may be turned over to the LGUs for closer and more effective implementation and monitoring;



4. conduct information, education and communication activities to generate awareness and understanding of DENR offices and employees regarding all actions pertinent to the EO;
5. coordinate with the DENR Change Management Team and the DILG ComDev on all matters relating to this undertaking;
6. submit periodic reports, recommendations and courses of actions to the Secretary through the Undersecretary for Management and Technical Services, including policy and administrative proposals, to implement findings and results of strategic review; and
7. perform other functions related to the accomplishment of the above tasks.

The Committee shall be directly reporting to Undersecretary for Management and Technical Services as Chairman of CMT. All expenses to be incurred in the execution of the above functions shall be charged against DENR funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

  
**MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR**  
*Secretary*

