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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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**SUBJECT : SUBMISSION OF QUARTERLY
PROGRESS REPORT IN COMPLIANCE
TO THE SUPREME COURT DECISION
TO CLEAN AND REHABILITATE
MANILA BAY**

This has reference to the Supreme Court decision on December 08, 2008, requiring government agencies to clean and rehabilitate Manila Bay in line with the principles of "continuing mandamus". The DPWH as one of the concerned government agencies with related responsibilities mandated under the Philippine law is specifically tasked by the Supreme Court to remove and demolish structures and other nuisances that obstruct the free flow of water to the bay. These nuisances discharge solid and liquid wastes which eventually end up in Manila Bay (e.g. Meycauayan-Marilao-Ubando (Pandacan) River, Talisay (Bataan) River and the Imus (Cavite) River).

Further, the DPWH is required by the court to submit an Action Plan that aims to achieve sustainable development of the Manila Bay and its entire catchment basin.

In view of the foregoing, the following officials are hereby directed to prepare an Action Plan under their jurisdiction and submit a Quarterly Progress Report with Monitoring Matrix to the Manila Bay Coordinating Committee (MBCC).

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| 1. Dir. Bonifacio O. Sequit | - | Region IV-A |
| 2. Dir. Alfredo G. Tolentino | - | Region III |
| 3. Dir. Edilberto Tayao | - | NCR |
| 4. Dir. Patrick B. Gatan | - | PMO-IROW |
| 5. Dir. Macariola Z. Bartolo | - | PMO-KAMANAVA |

Submit your Quarterly Progress Report and Monitoring Matrix not later than the first week of the following quarter to the Environmental and Social Services Office (ESSO), this Department. The ESSO shall be the coordinating Office for this concern with the assistance of the Legal Service and shall together submit to the Supreme Court all Progress Reports submitted by your respective Offices. Further, you are also directed to furnish the said Reports to the DENR, MBCC, River Basin Control Office, 5th Floor DENR Main Building, Visayas Ave. Diliman, Quezon City.

This Order takes effect immediately.

HERMOGENES E. EBDANE, Jr.
Secretary



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