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National Power Corporation

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NPC CIRCULAR No. 2014- 018

SUBJECT: GUIDELINES ON THE CREATION AND COMPOSITION OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT COUNCIL WITHIN NPC MANAGED WATERSHED RESERVATIONS

In the interest of the public service and pursuant to Executive Order No. 224 and consistent with the Department of Justice Resolution OSJ No. 2007-01 and 2007-02 dated November 10, 2009 recognizing NPC's jurisdiction and control over watershed areas and reservations, NPC hereby promulgates these guidelines governing NPC managed watershed areas for the information and guidance of all concerned.

1.0 OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 These guidelines are established in order to provide functional direction and coordinating mechanism in the management and protection of NPC managed watershed areas and reservations;
- 1.2 To serve as indispensable procedure in integrating economic and social developmental efforts of primary institutions towards management and development of watershed reservations; and
- 1.3 Recognize and mobilize various stakeholders in the protection, rehabilitation, development, management, and/or utilization of natural resources within the NPC managed watershed reservation.

2.0 SCOPE

These guidelines cover NPC managed watershed reservation under Executive Order No. 224 and Proclamation No. 2320.

3.0 FORMATION OF NATIONAL POWER CORPORATION-WATERSHED MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (NPC-WMC)

The NPC-WMC is hereby established as a policy formulation and advisory body in the management of NPC managed watershed areas and reservations consistent with the national policy/ies on watershed and other relevant laws and policies. The Council adheres and hereby adopts the integrated watershed management

5.0 SECRETARIAT OF NPC-WMC

The concerned Watershed Area Team (WAT) who performs the day to day management, protection and administration of the watershed area shall be designated as Secretariat of the NPC-WMC. The concerned WAT shall provide the following coordinative functions and services:

- 5.1 To serve as the central channel of communication and coordination among council members; and
- 5.2 To provide administrative support, maintain record, and serve as the custodian of all data, reports, and documentations.

6.0 COMPOSITION OF NPC-WMC

Members of the NPC-WMC include those stakeholders of the NPC managed watershed areas and reservations with concern in the aspects of biodiversity conservation and water resources management. NPC-WMC recognizes the need to share responsibilities in the management, protection, development of watershed resources. NPC-WMC shall be composed of the following representatives from:

- 6.1 National Power Corporation as Chairman;
- 6.2 Concerned PENRO of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) as Vice-Chairman;
- 6.3 MPDC/MENRO of the Municipality concerned;
- 6.4 One Barangay Captain representing the Barangay Captains whose Barangays are within, wholly or partially the NPC-managed watersheds;
- 6.5 One representative from Indigenous Peoples (IPs) if there be any;
- 6.6 One representative from the State Universities and Colleges;
- 6.7 One representative from Non Government Organizations (NGOs) involved in environment concerns;
- 6.8 One representative from People's Organization (POs); and
- 6.9 One representative each from concerned Agencies and private sectors involved with the environment.

10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

Should any provision of this Circular be subsequently declared unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity or the legality of the other provisions

11.0 EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its filing with the Office of the National Administrative Register and its publication in a national newspaper of general circulation.


SO ORDERED.

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President and CEO

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