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T O : All PDOs/PMOs
Shipping Companies/Agents, Cargo Handlers
Port Users and Others Concerned

SUBJECT : ANTI-POLLUTION MEASURES WITHIN THE PORT ZONE

1. AUTHORITY

- Article 4*
- 1.1 Presidential Decree No. 857 *sec 6 (A)(11)*
 - 1.2 PPA Administrative Order No. 13-77
 - 1.3 PPA Memorandum Circular No. 04-85
 - 1.4 PCG Memorandum Circular No. 01-91
 - 1.5 PCG Memorandum Circular No. 02-91
 - 1.6 International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL 73/78)

2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 To ensure clean, safe and p environmentally friendly port.
- 2.2 To ensure effective enforcement relevant regulations against pollution in the port.

3. PURPOSE

- 3.1 To extend all possible assistance to the Philippine Coast Guard for the effective enforcement of PCG and PPA issuances against pollution in ports and harbors.
- 3.2 To undertake measures in ports designed to control pollution and promote protection of the port environment.

4. SCOPE

This Order shall apply to marine pollution within the jurisdictional area of all national, municipal or private ports which are included in the port system of the Authority.

5. GUIDELINES

5.1 International Maritime Organization Regulation - Vessels entering and leaving the port shall strictly observe the International Maritime Organization (IMO) regulations against the discharge of wastes and other pollutants, particularly MARPOL 73/78 and its annexes.

5.2 Adoption of PCG Regulations on Anti-Pollution - In order to strengthen anti-pollution measures within the port zone, PPA supports the program of the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) in proper waste disposal by adopting the following measures, as far as practicable, within port jurisdiction:

5.2.1 PCG MC No. 01-91 dated 08 January 1991 entitled "Prevention, Containment, Abatement and Control of Marine Pollution" (Annex A);

5.2.2 PCG MC No. 02-91 dated 21 January 1991 entitled "Dumping and Discharges of Wastes and Other Harmful Matter at Sea: (Annex B).

5.3 In the implementation of the above mentioned anti-pollution regulations, the role of the PDOs/PMOs is to monitor, as far as practicable, the observance and proper compliance to said measures by shipping lines/port users, within the ports' jurisdictional area. Any violation noted by PPA field offices shall be immediately reported and coordinated with the local Coast Guard Station for appropriate/corrective action. PDOs/PMOs are also directed to extend the maximum assistance of the port, such as necessary berthing and storage facilities, to the Coast Guard and other offices in case of oil spills, accidents and other marine pollution emergencies.

5.4 Upon official request/notice from the Philippine Coast Guard which has primary responsibility for regulating pollution from ships, the PPA shall withhold the entry/departure clearance of vessels for marine pollution violations.


5.5 All concerned PDOs/PMOs are also directed to implement the following anti-pollution measures within the port zone in addition to MARPOL 73/78 as covered in section 5.2:

5.5.1 Improvement of port's garbage disposal set-up;

- 5.5.2 Proper observance of the use of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code for cargo labelling and cargo handling requirements;
- 5.5.3 Proper observance of the Dockwork Safety and Health Standard, particularly the provisions that promote port cleanliness, efficient cargo handling operations and cleaner environment;
- 5.5.4 Greening of appropriate areas/facilities within port zone;
- 5.5.5 Proper planning and land use of port real estate/facilities;
- 5.5.6 Environmental awareness programs and info campaigns against marine/port pollution;
- 5.5.7 Cleanliness campaigns and anti-littering measures, particularly in ports with big passenger traffic;
- 5.5.8 Coordinative efforts with local government offices, private organizations and port users for the prevention of pollution in port and the protection of our marine environment.

6. FINAL PROVISIONS

- 6.1 Repealing Clause - All PPA Issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or amended.
- 6.2 Effectivity - This Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.


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