

DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. <u>DOZOJI-02-000</u>2

CREATING THE CONTINGENCY COMMITTEE FOR ENERGY SECURITY

WHEREAS, Section 25 of Republic Act No. 7638 otherwise known as the Department of Energy Act of 1992 provided the President the power to issue a declaration upon the determination of the Secretary of Energy, in times of critically low-energy supply or imminent danger thereof;

WHEREAS, Section 14 (f) of Republic Act No. 8479 otherwise known as the Downstream Oil Industry Deregulation Act of 1998 granted to the Secretary of Energy the power to ensure continuous, adequate and economic supply of energy through administering a program of conservation and stockpiling among others, consistent with Section 5 (c) of RA 7638;

WHEREAS, recent international events, such as the threat of terrorist attacks, armed conflict in the Middle East and in other regions, threaten or restrict the supply of petroleum and energy products to the Philippines;

WHEREAS, it is prudent to take precautionary measures to ensure that the necessary preparations are in place in the event the situation deteriorates;

NOW, **THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the Energy Security Committee (ESC) is hereby created.

Section 1. ESC - Composition. The ECS shall be chaired by the Secretary with the three (3) Undersecretaries to serve as members.

Section 2. Responsibilities of the ECS. The ECS be responsible in recommending to the President a declaration of a state of critically low-energy supply or imminent danger thereof as provided for in RA 7638. It shall also a recommend plan to ensure the continuous, adequate and economic supply of petroleum and energy products for the country as provided for in RA 8479.

Section 3. ESC-Technical Working Group (TWG).-. To provide assistance in carrying out its responsibilities, a Technical Working Group is created composed of the following:

- (i) Consumer Welfare Promotions Office (CWPO):
- (ii) Energy Policy and Planning Bureau (EPPB);
- (iii) Energy Utilization Management Bureau (EUMB);
- (iv) Legal Services (LS); and
- (v) Oil Industry Management Bureau (OIMB).

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Section 4. Functions of the ECS-TWG. The ECS-TWG shall perform the following functions:

- (i) Responsible for the administrative and logistical needs of the ECS;
- (ii) Ensure proper coordination within the Department and the other government agencies upon the direction of the ESC;
- (iii) Recommend attendant policies and plans to carry out the directives of the ESC; and
- (iv) Perform such other functions as may be directed by the ECS.

Section 5. Secretariat. It is hereby directed that the Office of the Director of the OIMB shall be responsible for the logistical needs of the ECS-TWG.

Section 6. Effectivity. This Department Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this _____ day of February at Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City, Metro Manila.

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Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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