Office of the President
of the Philippines
NATIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 4

ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED CLOSURE PLAN FOR
THE NAVOTAS CONTROLLED DUMP FACILITY

WHEREAS, the 11-hectare Navotas Controlled Dump Facility (NCDF) has been
operating since 2002 with the issuance of the Notice to Proceed on October 15,
2001 by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources through the
National Solid Waste Management Commission;

WHEREAS, the CDF is originally designed to accommodate 2,000 tons per day,
however, due to the request by the Municipality of Obando to limit the
operation during night time, the facility has only been receiving an average of
800-900 tons per day from the transfer station in Pier 18, Tondo, Manila and
the municipality of Navotas;

WHEREAS, a composite Multi-Partite Monitoring Team was created and
composed of representatives from NSWMC, EMB-NCR, EMB-Region III, LGUs of
Navotas and Obando, BFAR, DOH, PENRO-Bulacan, MMDA, and NGOs
represented by PAMALAKAYA and SIYAP which is tasked to conduct regular
water quality monitoring within the facility and adjoining water bodies;

WHEREAS, there is a present clamor from concerned groups of the
Municipality of Obando, Bulacan and Navotas to immediately stop the
operation of the CDF as manifested by the barricades set up in Binuang River,
which currently prevent barges transporting solid wastes from entering
the facility;

WHEREAS, in view thereof, the Philippine Ecology Systems Corporation
(PHILECO), the developer and operator of the facility submitted a proposed
closure plan for the facility where as indicated would require a volume of
480,000 cu.m. of MSW to achieve the designed elevation to which the final
capping, re-vegetation and other requirements by RA 9003 will be undertaken;

WHEREAS, the National Solid Waste Management Commission giving due
course to the issues and concerns raised by concerned groups in the operation
of the controlled dump facility (CDF) in Brgy. Tanza, Navotas is taking the lead
to effect the proposed closure plan of the subject CDF.

WHEREAS, to which the proposed closure plan is instituted in the facility, soil
erosion will be prevented, the immediate vicinity will be secured from coming in
contact with the deposited solid wastes, gas movement will be restricted, odor
will be controlled while increasing the post-closure land use of the facility;

In view thereof, the NSWMC hereby recognizes the need to further address the
imminent environmental liability of the project implementor to institute proper
and necessary closure of the CDF;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that
the Closure Plan for the Navotas Controlled Dumpsite is hereby accepted and
approved subject to its specific conditions stated therein.
This Resolution shall take effect upon approval.

Done this _____ day of ______, 2005, Metro Manila, Philippines

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Chairman, National Solid Waste Management Commission

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Department of Interior and Local Government

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Department of Public Works and Highways

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Department of Trade and Industry

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Technical Education and Skills Development Authority

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Metro Manila Development Authority

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League of Municipalities of the Philippines

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Department of Science and Technology

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Department of Health

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Recycling/Industry Representative

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