DENR SPECIAL ORDER
No. 2014 – 269

SUBJECT : AUTHORIZING UNDERSECRETARY MANUEL D. GEROCHI TO SIGN NOTICES OF MEETINGS AND NATIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION (NSWMC) BOARD RESOLUTIONS

In the interest of the service and in order not to disrupt the operations of the National Solid Waste Management Commission (NSWMC), Undersecretary Manuel D. Gerochi is hereby authorized to sign Notices of Meetings and NSWMC Board Resolutions as part of his functions as support to the Secretary pursuant to DENR Special Order No. 2013-514, dated 02 September 2013. Such authority to sign is subject to prior clearance from the DENR Secretary.

This Order takes effect immediately.

[Signature]
Secretary

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NSWMC Resolution No. 75, Series of 2014

RESOLUTION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT/DEVELOPMENT OF THE 10-STOREY NATIONAL ECOLOGY CENTER PURSUANT TO RA 9003

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the state to adopt a systematic, comprehensive and ecological solid waste management program consistent with the pursuit of sustainable development (Section 2 Article I, RA 9003);

WHEREAS, the enactment of Republic Act 9003 otherwise known as Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000 created the National Solid Waste Management Commission (NSWMC), hereinafter referred to as the Commission, under the Office of the President (Section 4, RA 9003);

WHEREAS, Section 5 of RA 9003, prescribed the powers and functions of the Commission;

WHEREAS, a National Ecology Center (NEC) shall be established under the Commission, which shall provide consulting, information, training, and networking services for the implementation of the provisions of this Act. The NEC shall maintain a multi-sectoral, multi-disciplinary pool of experts including those from the academe, investors, practicing professionals, business and industry, youth, women and other concerned sectors, who shall be screened according to the qualifications set by the Commission (Section 7, RA 9003);

WHEREAS, the proposed Ten-Storey National Ecology Center shall feature a Green building consistent with the details, land use and urban design guidelines of the Quezon City-Central Business District and TriDev Master Plan. It covers only a footprint of one thousand (1,000) square meters to preserve the vegetation in the area, out of the area of 45,665 square meters provided under Proclamation No. 725 dated Oct 25, 2004 for the establishment of the National Ecology Center pursuant to RA 9003 and DENR-NCR and Laguna Lake Development Authority office site located at the former BFD Compound in East Avenue and declaring ownership thereof in favor of the DENR (formerly titled to the NHA), please refer to the attached features of the proposed NEC building;

WHEREAS, the proposed NEC Green building will entail a total cost of approximately THREE HUNDRED MILLION PESOS (300,000,000.00) covering both Building and Capital Outlay;

WHEREAS, the proposed Center shall be operated thru Public-Private Partnership and shall have its own Staffing Plan such as Board of Directors, Executive Director, Management and Support Staff which shall oversee the day to day operations of the Center;

WHEREAS, to sustain its operations aside from government funds, opportunities can be from the following to cover honorariums of accredited pool of experts and other miscellaneous expenses thru: 1) registration fees to relevant courses/trainings that shall be conducted; 2) membership packages to be offered to cities and municipalities, NGOs, Associations, and individuals based on potential benefits, opportunities, and responsibilities for each proposed group-renewable every year; 3) accreditation of multi-sectoral and multi-disciplinary pool of experts to facilitate the conduct of different training modules in SWM and other Environmental

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Protection and Management trainings—renewable every two (2) years; and 4) rentals of the function rooms to other agencies and stakeholders.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the establishment/development of the NEC building is unanimously approved pursuant to RA 9003.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that upon the approval of the resolution, copies of which shall be attached in the CY 2015 Work and Financial Plan of the EMB-CO and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources for funding.

This resolution takes effect upon approval.

APPROVED this ___th day of ___, 2014.

Attested by:

MANUEL D. GEROCHI, CESO I
Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and Foreign-Assisted Programs