NSWMC Resolution No. 79, Series of 2014

Amending NSWMC Resolution No. 26 Series of 2009, Changing the Term Ecology Park or Eco-Park to Ecological Solid Waste Management Park or Eco-SWM Park and Providing Clarification on its Use

WHEREAS, the NSWMC approved Resolution No. 26, Series of 2009 on June 25, 2009 Adopting Eco-Park as an Option to Sanitary Landfill;

WHEREAS, paragraph no. 3 of Resolution No. 26 states that “LGUs classified as 3rd to 6th class cities/municipalities find it hard to comply with the requirements of Section 37 of Republic Act (RA) 9003 and of the DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 30, Resolution No. 6, Guidelines on the Categorized Final Disposal Facilities;”

WHEREAS, paragraph no. 5 of same Resolution describes the Ecology park as “a site where the combined processes for biodegradable, non-biodegradable, recyclable and residual wastes are being conducted which may include composting, vermi-composting and Materials Recovery Facilities (MRFs) and said LGUs are developing their waste disposal sites into Ecology parks showcasing their best practices;”

WHEREAS, it was resolved in paragraph no. 6 of Resolution No. 26 that an Ecology park or Eco-park be an option for waste disposal instead of Sanitary Landfill;”

WHEREAS, the SWM focal persons from the LGU and the Regional Offices of the Environmental Management Bureau seek clarification on the title, definition and components of an Eco-Park, its environmental permitting requirements, qualifier, and the classification of LGUs that may establish the same;

WHEREAS, this Resolution shall revise the terminology and provide clarification on the establishment of an Eco-Park;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the title of Ecology Park or Eco-Park be amended to read: Ecological Solid Waste Management Park or Eco-SWM Park to identify and differentiate from among other “Eco-Park” projects in the country;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that paragraph 3, be amended to read:

WHEREAS, LGUs find it hard to comply with the requirements of Section 37 of Republic Act (RA) 9003 and of the DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 2003-30 or the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Presidential Decree No. 1586, Establishing the Philippine Environmental Impact Statement System, NSWMC Resolution No. 2005-06, Adoption of the Guidelines on Categorized Disposal Facilities;”

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FURTHER RESOLVED, that paragraph 5 be amended to read:

WHEREAS, the Eco-SWM Park is a site for environmental advocacy with showcase of best SWM practices (including crafts from wastes) and activities that will enhance the balance of the ecological system and may be part of an integrated SWM facility with a central materials recovery facility (MRF) with processing of biodegradable and recyclable materials, storage of special wastes, and temporary Residuals Containment Area (RCA) for segregated wastes to be used as alternative fuels and raw materials (AFR) for co-processing facilities, use of technologies developed or verified by the Department of Science and Technology, or other technologies that may be developed;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that paragraph 6 be amended to read:

WHEREAS, that an Eco-SWM Park is not an option for waste disposal, does not replace a sanitary landfill and cannot be used to extend the operation of open and controlled dumps;

FURTHER RESOLVED, to include the following additional clauses to read:

WHEREAS, the Site Selection and Operation of an Eco-SWM Park shall conform to the Guidelines set by the DENR;

WHEREAS, a closed dumpsite that is completely rehabilitated in accordance with NSWMC Resolution No. 5 Series of 2005 and corresponding DENR Administrative Order No. 2006-09 on the Closure and Rehabilitation of Disposal Facilities may be used as an Eco-SWM Park.

WHEREAS, any LGU or private entity may establish an Eco-SWM Park provided that all the requirements prescribed by the environmental laws are completed and properly complied with;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that the DENR shall issue specific guidelines to implement this Resolution.

APPROVED this 10 day of July 2014.

ATTESTED BY:

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NSWMC Resolution No. 26 Series of 2009

RESOLUTION ADOPTING ECO-PARK AS AN OPTION TO SANITARY LANDFILL

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the state to adopt a systematic, comprehensive and ecological solid waste management program which shall ensure, among others, the protection of public health and environment, and utilize environmentally-sound methods that maximize the utilization of valuable resources and encourage resource conservation and recovery;

WHEREAS, the National Solid Waste Management Commission (NSWMC) adopted a three (3) strike policy for the Local Government Units (LGUs) to fully implement the provisions of Republic Act (RA) of 9003, otherwise known as Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000;

WHEREAS, LGUs classified as 3rd to 6th class cities/municipalities find it hard to comply with the requirements of Section 37 of Republic Act (RA) 9003 and of the DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 30, Resolution No. 6, Guidelines on the Categorized Final Disposal Facilities;

WHEREAS, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) developed alternative technologies for biodegradable, recyclable and residual wastes which are being utilized by some Local Government Units (LGUs);

WHEREAS, an Ecology park is a site where the combined processes for biodegradable, non-biodegradable, recyclable and residual wastes are being conducted which may include composting, vermi composting and Materials Recovery Facilities (MRFs) and said LGUs are developing their waste disposal sites into Ecology parks showcasing their best practices;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that an Ecology park or Eco-park be an option for waste disposal instead of Sanitary Landfill.

APPROVED on 25th of June 2009.

[Signature]
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