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DIR. MA. LOURDES G. FERRER

Regional Director
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Dear **Director Ferrer**:

Greetings from Calapan City!

We would like to refer to your good office the letter from the Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) dated June 18, 2021 requesting the assistance of the MIMAROPA Regional Development Council (RDC) in providing the list of public lands (including the vicinity map and location size) that can be used to establish public economic zones (ecozones) in MIMAROPA.

The establishment of public ecozones to cater to the micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) is part of the country's economic recovery plan. Ecozones are highly developed areas or areas with high potential to be developed into agri-industrial, industrial, tourist, recreational, commercial, banking, investment and financial centers whose metes and bounds are fixed or delimited by Presidential proclamations.

In this regard, may we respectfully request from your good office the requested list of public lands in the region with vicinity map and location size, which can be considered in the establishment of ecozones in the region.

The following are the general criteria for an area to be considered potential for the establishment of ecozone: (a) strategic location, (b) presence of infrastructure such as roads, railways, telephones, ports, airports, etc. or the capacity of the site to absorb such improvements, (c) availability of water source and electric power supply, (d) extent of vacant lands available for industrial and commercial development and future expansion, among others.

We would appreciate receiving the requested document on or before July 16 (Friday). Our staff, Ms. Mirabelle Lanuza of the Project Development Investment Programming and Budget Division, will coordinate with your office on this request. She can be reached through mobile number 0921-352-5639 or email mblanuza@neda.gov.ph.

We look forward to your favorable response and continued support to the MIMAROPA Regional Development Council.

Thank you and stay safe.

Very truly yours,

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