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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director

DENR CALABARZON, MIMAROPA, and Region 6

FROM : The OIC Director

SUBJECT: INVITATION TO SHELL TIER 3 OIL SPILL RESPONSE EXERCISE

DATE :

This has reference to the letter from Pilipinas Shell Petroleum Corporation dated September 12, 2022 inviting the Bureau to the Regional Tier 3 Oil Spill Response Exercise which will be held at the Shangri-La, The Fort, Taguig City on October 12, 2022. A briefing and closing exercises will be held online on October 11 and 13, 2022, respectively.

The activity aims to showcase Shell's ability to respond to large-scale oil spill incidents, as well as, to collaborate with government officials in providing an effective and robust response to a spill in the Philippines.

As such, may we refer/extend the invitation to your Office considering that the waters covering the CALABARZON and MIMAROPA regions are one of the busiest shipping lanes in the country and where there is a likelihood of an oil spill incidence. Meanwhile, Region 6 has experienced one of the biggest oil spill incidents in the country, particularly in the Taklong Island National Marine Reserve.

Should you be interested to participate, kindly nominate/send one (1) participant from your region either as a) role player who will be directly involved in the oil spill exercise, or as b) observer. Please note that only food for October 12 face-to-face exercises will be covered by the organizers. The rest of the participation cost will be charged to the offices concerned.

You may directly contact Ms. Jemen Pargas of Shell at +63 917 803 8579 or Ms. Criselda Castor of this Bureau at +63 905 402 4754 for confirmation or for any concerns.

For your consideration.

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