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MEMORANDUM

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FROM

The Undersecretary

Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs

SUBJECT

REQUEST FOR UPDATE ON THE DAMAGE CAUSED TO COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS AND COSTS AND LENGTH OF TIME UNDERTAKEN FOR THE CLEAN-UP AND REHABILITATION ACTIVITIES RE: MT PRINCESS EMPRESS OIL SPILL FROM THE COMMITTEE ON

ECOLOGY OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DATE

29 August 2023

This refers to the electronic letter received by our Office dated 25 August 2023, the Committee on Ecology of the House of Representatives, is requesting for an update regarding the damage caused to coastal ecosystems, costs and length of time undertaken for the clean-up and rehabilitation activities, and your recommendations to enhance capacity for addressing oil spill incidents more effectively.

In this regard, may we respectfully request for an update and recommendations from your office on the abovementioned matter, in preparation of the Committee Report, as requested by the Committee. Kindly send them on or before 01 September 2023, at 5 PM via email at denr.gov.ph.

Attached herewith is the copy of the abovementioned letter for your reference.

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