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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Directors

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Biodiversity Management Bureau

All Regional Executive Directors

FROM : The Director

Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT: INVITATION TO COMMITTEE MEETING AND REQUEST FOR

POSITION PAPER ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5240 ENTITLED "REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR TREES ACT OF 2022" AND HOUSE BILL NO. 5360 ENTITLED "AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM REAL PROPERTY TAX THE TREES AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS ON LANDS COVERED BY CERTIFICATES OF STEWARDSHIP CONTRACTS UNDER THE INTEGRATED SOCIAL FORESTRY PROGRAM" OF THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DATE : 03 August 2023

In reference to the electronic mail received by our Office, the Committee on Local Government of the House of Representatives is inviting the Department to a meeting on 15 August 2023 (Tuesday), 10:00 A.M., at Belmonte Hall, South Wing Annex, House of Representatives Complex, Batasan Hills, Quezon City to discuss the following legislative measures:

- HOUSE BILL NO. 5240 "AN ACT EXEMPTING TREES, PLANTS, AND GROWING FRUITS FROM REAL PROPERTY TAX AND PROVIDING FOR REAL PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION" introduced by Rep. Doris Maniquiz
- HOUSE BILL NO. 5360 "AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM REAL PROPERTY TAX THE TREES AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS ON LANDS COVERED BY CERTIFICATES OF STEWARDSHIP CONTRACTS UNDER THE INTEGRATED SOCIAL FORESTRY PROGRAM" introduced by Rep. Rufus Rodriguez

In this regard, may we respectfully request a position paper on the abovementioned bills, in anticipation of the Committee meeting, as requested by the Committee. Kindly send them on or before 9 August 2023, at 5:00 PM via email at

denrllo@denr.gov.ph. Further, kindly inform us of the name/s of the representative/s from your office who will participate in the meeting so we may include him/her/them as resource person/s.

Attached herewith are the Letter Invitation and copies of House bill nos. 5240 and 5360 for your reference.



cc: Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs