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MEMORANDUM

FOR : All Regional Executive Directors

ATTENTION : All NGP Coordinators
All CBFM Coordinators
Enforcement Division

FROM : Attorney IV, Office of the Director
In-Charge, Office of the Director

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO RECOMMEND INNOVATIVE PRACTICES
AND TECHNOLOGIES CHAMPIONING SKILLS AND
KNOWLEDGE OF WOMEN TO UPLIFT THEIR RESILIENCE,
ECONOMIC, AND/OR LEADERSHIP STATUS**

DATE :

This is in reference to the memorandum dated February 9, 2023 from Director Elenida DR Basug, Climate Change Service, and Concurrent Director, Gender and Development Office, regarding the DENR's pronouncement to celebrate Women's Month with this year's theme "*WE for Gender Equality, Inclusive and Resilient Society*" which aims to highlight the participation and contribution of women in pursuing gender equality.

The DENR National Gender and Development Focal Point System (NGADFPS) is gathering innovative practices and technologies championing skills and knowledge from women that can or may have resulted in creating new social, economic, and cultural programs.

The implementation of community-based forest management approach has been one of the strategies of the country to attain not only environmental stability but also the economic upliftment of our upland communities through reforestation and agroforestry. Certain programs are being continuously implemented by the Department in order to protect the existing forests and its natural resources as well as increasing the forest cover in the country. These programs include the National Greening Program (NGP), Community-based Forest Management – Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CBFM-CARP) and the National Forest Protection Program (NFP).

In this regard, the Forest Management Bureau (FMB) would like to request the Region to recommend at least one (1) women leader/employee or women organization which have been applying innovative practices and technologies, skills or knowledge in uplifting the resilience, economic and/or leadership in their community which are inclusive and transformative in combatting discrimination and marginalization of women. They can be extension officer or forest protection officer or teams, Peoples' Organization (PO) women

leader or member, private sector, civil society, or academe that are involved and advocating under the mentioned forest management programs above.

The documentation to support the recommendation must be submitted with the following details:

1. A clear photograph (woman or women group or community, workplace to be recognized, with an action photo)
2. A two or three-paragraph write up that describes the following:
 - a. First paragraph introduces the woman or women group or community or workplace
 - b. Second and third paragraphs cite the commendable initiatives in combatting discrimination and marginalization of women be it in climate change adaptation, mitigation, disaster risk reduction, economic or livelihood initiative, leadership whether in a workplace, household, community management and in other field of practice.

Stories will be screened and those short-listed will be featured in a photo exhibit at the DENR Central Office lobby during the observance of Women's Month.

We will appreciate receiving photos and writeups via electronic mail on or before February 21, 2023. You may email your submission at gfps@fmb.denr.gov.ph. Our staff, For. Jinia D. Yaneza will communicate with you regarding the matter. You may contact them through mobile number: +63 905 575 4970 or email address jyaneza@fmb.denr.gov.ph.

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION, PLEASE.

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