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MEMORANDUM

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FROM : The Director

Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT: INVITATION TO THE 4th SMALL TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

(STWG) MEETING ON HOUSE BILL 1423 "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 9 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 1586 BY INCREASING THE PENALTIES THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", AND HOUSE BILL 7959 "AN ACT TO RATIONALIZE THE PHILIPPINE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT SYSTEM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY OF

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DATE : 28 July 2023

This refers to the electronic letter received by our Office dated 27 July 2023, the Committee on Ecology of the House of Representatives will hold its 4th Small Technical Working Group (STWG) Meeting on **01 Aug 2023**, **Tuesday**, **2:00 PM via Zoom**, on the following legislative measures:

- HOUSE BILL 1423 AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 9 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 1586 BY INCREASING THE PENALTIES THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (by Rep. Ramon N. Guico Jr.); and
- HOUSE BILL 7959 AN ACT TO RATIONALIZE THE PHILIPPINE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT SYSTEM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (by Rep. Marlyn B. Alonte).

In addition, a 3rd bill on Environmental Assessment System (EAS) serves as the working draft for the group discussion, to wit:

• HOUSE BILL 8594 — AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PHILIPPINE ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEM AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (by Rep. Marlyn B. Alonte).

In this regard, may we respectfully follow-up on the request for comments/recommendations on the abovementioned bills, for the drafting of a consolidated bill on the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) System, and in anticipation of the Committee meeting, as requested by the Committee. Kindly send them on or before 31 July 2023, at 5 PM via email at denrillo@denr.gov.ph. Further, kindly inform us of the name/s of the representative/s from your office who will participate in the continuation meeting so we may include him/her/them as resource person/s.

Attached herewith are the Letter Invitation, and the House bills for your reference.



cc: Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs