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## **MEMORANDUM**

FOR : The Directors

Legal Affairs Service

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The Bureau Director

**Environmental Management Bureau** 

The Executive Director

National Water Resources Board

River Basin Control Office Manila Bay Coordinating Office

Pasig River Coordinating and Management Office

The Regional Executive Directors
DENR NCR, Regions I to XIII, and CAR

The General Manager

Laguna Lake Development Authority

FROM: The Director

Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT: INVITATION AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS REGARDING

WATER SUSTAINABILITY BILLS FROM THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS,

INNOVATION, AND FUTURES THINKING

DATE : 10 May 2023

The Senate Committee on Sustainable Development Goals, Innovation and Futures Thinking (SDGIFT) chaired by Senator Pia Cayetano will be conducting a hearing tentatively on 15 May 2023 (Monday), to discuss the proposed measures which seek to provide wider access to safe and potable water to every barangay and promote sustainable use of water resources. Specifically, the following will be tackled during the said hearing:

- 1. Senate Bill No. 16 AN ACT PROVIDING FRAMEWORK ON WATER SUSTAINABILITY, by Senator Pia S. Cayetano;
- 2. Senate Bill No. 310 AN ACT TO PROMOTE RURAL HEALTH BY PROVIDING AN ACCELERATED PROGRAM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A POTABLE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM IN EVERY BARANGAY IN THE COUNTRY WITHIN THREE YEARS, by Senator Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri; and
- 3. Senate Bill No. 1048 AN ACT ENSURING SAFE DRINKING WATER, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 856, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CODE ON SANITATION OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, by Senator Joel Villanueva

In this regard, may we respectfully request the name of your representative to serve as one of the resource persons to provide their valuable inputs and insights regarding the topic, as requested by the Committee.

Kindly submit your comments on or before 12 May 2023, 5:00 PM via email at denrllo@denr.gov.ph. The copies of the bills may be accessed through this link: <a href="https://bit.ly/3HbxXJi">https://bit.ly/3HbxXJi</a>.



cc: Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs Undersecretary for Integrated Environmental Science