July 4, 2023

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Dear Secretary Perez:

Greetings from the People of Occidental Mindoro!

This has reference to your letter which is a response to our request for assistance in conducting Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA) on Resolution No. 17 of the Inter-Agency Committee (IAC) on the Restoration of the Occidental Mindoro Rivers and Its Tributaries.

In your letter, you recommended that IAC Resolution No. 17 undergo the necessary impact assessment to assess if the requirements, fees, and charges impose undue regulatory burden on the applicants of the River Mouth Deposit Removal Project. You also advise us to reach out to the Better Regulations Office (BRO) Sectoral A of ARTA for technical assistance.

In this regard, the primary reason why Resolution No. 17 was issued was because there is no existing law, rules or guidelines that provide on which government agency has jurisdiction over the river mouth as regards flood mitigation and other similar projects. To remedy the situation, the IAC deemed it best to issue the said Resolution authorizing the river mouth deposit removal within the heavily-silted river channels of the Province of Occidental Mindoro, with the IAC as a body having authority over the same.

After receipt of your letter, the IAC convened on June 27, 2023 to tackle the recommendations in your letter as one of our agenda. It was agreed between and among the members in that meeting that we shall furnish your good office with the amended Resolution No. 17 containing a more specific and detailed guideline on the implementation of the said project. As of the moment, we at the IAC are in the process of finalizing our amendment to Resolution No. 17 and rest assured that we will coordinate and reach out to your good office for the assessment and determination of the reasonableness of the regulation involved.

Looking forward to working in partnership with you for the delivery of prompt, effective and efficient public service to our constituents.

Hoping that this merits your favourable consideration and action in the spirit of public service.

Thank you and warm regards.

Very truly yours,

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