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**SUBJECT : Amending Revised Procedural Manual for DAO
03-30 dated 30 June 2003 on the Classification of the
Fast-food Stores, Restaurants and Similar Quick-Service
Establishments**

In view of the administration's program in prioritizing the improvement of the quality of water bodies in the country, **Fast-food Stores, Restaurants and Similar Quick-Service Establishments**, irrespective of area to be developed, are now covered by the EIA System, hence the requirement to secure Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC). Accordingly, Annex 2-1b, E2 of the Revised Procedural Manual of DAO 03-30 is hereby amended. Proponents prior to any development or construction are therefore required to apply for and secure an Environmental Compliance Certificate by submitting the checklist for Initial Environmental Examination (IEE) to the corresponding EMB Regional Offices or EMB Central Office (LLDA area) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for projects with an area of more than or equal to 2.5 hectare.

Further, Section 27 (c and i) of RA 9275, otherwise known as the "Philippine Clean Water Act" specifically prohibits the discharge of regulated water pollutants without securing the necessary Discharge Permit. Furthermore, all establishments regardless of the volume of discharge shall obtain a valid "Discharge Permit" pursuant also to the said act.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force unless revoked in writing.


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