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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 1746, s. 2016

ENJOINING ALL REGIONAL LINE AGENCIES TO REFRAIN FROM SERVING MEALS AND FOOD PRODUCTS WRAPPED IN PLASTIC, STYROFOAM AND OTHER NON-BIODEGRADABLE MATERIALS

To : CID Chief SGOD Chief, PSDS, EPSs
Public Elementary & Secondary School Heads/Principals
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is a Communication from Regional Development Council Central Visayas Region enjoining all Region Line Agencies to Refrain from Serving Meals and Food Products Wrapped in Plastic, Styrofoam and Other Non-Biodegradable Materials.
2. For more information, please refer to the attached Communication.
3. For immediate compliance


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1. We are providing you a copy of RDC Resolution No. 28 (s. 2016) enjoining all regional line agencies, local government units and government training institutions to refrain from serving meals and food products wrapped in plastic, styrofoam and other non-biodegradable materials.
2. The resolution intends to reinforce and reiterate the provisions of RA 9003 also known as the Ecological Solid Waste Act of 2003 which prohibits the manufacture of non-environmentally acceptable materials. The irresponsible use and disposal of these materials such as plastic bags and polystyrene foams and other non-biodegradable materials cause the clogging of waterways, drainages and bodies of water, as they take decades to decompose.
3. The RDC requests your full cooperation in implementing the said resolution. We have requested the DENR and the Environmental Management Bureau to coordinate in operationalizing and monitoring this Resolution. Please expect them to coordinate with you on this matter.
4. Thank you and warm regards.

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RDC Chairperson and
Bohol Provincial Governor



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
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CENTRAL VISAYAS REGION

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE CENTRAL VISAYAS REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
HELD IN TAGBILARAN CITY ON 15 JUNE 2016

RDC Resolution No. 28 (s. 2016)

**"ENJOINING ALL REGIONAL LINE AGENCIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS
AND GOVERNMENT TRAINING INSTITUTIONS TO REFRAIN FROM SERVING
MEALS AND FOOD PRODUCTS WRAPPED IN PLASTIC, STYROFOAM,
AND OTHER NON-BIODEGRADABLE MATERIALS"**

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9003 known as the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000 strictly prohibits the manufacture or use of non-environmentally acceptable materials, but requires biodegradable and environment-friendly materials for packaging as part of the solid waste management program;

WHEREAS, relevant provisions of the Local Government Code gives to the local government units primary responsibility for the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of RA 9003 within their respective jurisdictions;

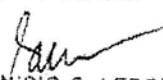
WHEREAS, in the meeting of the Economic Development Committee on 21 May 2016, DENR7 requested the EDC to recommend that the RDC enjoin all regional line agencies, LGUs and government training institutions holding meetings and seminars and serving meals in these gatherings to refrain from using non-biodegradable materials like plastic cups, disposable cutlery, plastic straws, among others;

WHEREAS, the irresponsible use and disposal of plastic bags and polystyrene foams and other non-biodegradable materials cause the clogging of waterways, drainages and bodies of water, as they take decades to decompose;


WHEREAS, the EDC found merit in the request of DENR7 and passed EDC Resolution No. 12 (s. 2016), recommending that the RDC enjoin all RLAs, LGUs and government training institutions to refrain from serving food wrapped in non-biodegradable materials;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to enjoin all regional line agencies, local government units, and government training institutions to refrain from serving meals and other food products wrapped in plastic or styrofoam, and other non-biodegradable materials.


Certified Correct:


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