MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 2001 - 01

SUBJECT : GUIDANCE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DAO 2000-05 RE: SCOPE OF THE EIS PROGRAMMATIC COMPLIANCE POLICY

Consistent with the present thrust to implement cost-effective environmental management systems, the Department Administrative Order No. 2000-05 on the EIS Programmatic Compliance Policy, took effect early last year. For the purposes of clarification and standardization of the implementation of the said policy, projects that fall into the following categories are within the purview of programmatic compliance, and are required to submit a programmatic EIS instead of the usual ECC application initially for horizontal development and subsequent ECC application for the individual locators.

a. A project subdivided into several phases and/or stages situated in a contiguous area.

b. A project consisting of several components or a cluster of projects co-located in a designated area such as an industrial estate or export processing zone.

This does not include mixed-use commercial, institutional and residential areas. However, for such projects, the proponent may opt to secure a Programmatic ECC through the EMB Central Office.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

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