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**EMB MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR**

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**SUBJECT: GUIDANCE ON THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR  
CATEGORY A HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT,  
STORAGE AND DISPOSAL (TSD) FACILITY**

Pursuant to Republic Act 6969, otherwise known as the Toxic Substances and Hazardous and Nuclear Waste Control Act of 1990 and one of its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR), DAO 2013-22 or the Revised Procedures and Standards for the Management of Hazardous Wastes and in recognition of emerging mobile treatment technologies for hazardous wastes, this Circular is hereby issued to clarify the permitting requirements for registration as Category A Treatment, Storage and Disposal (TSD) Facilities.

**Section 1. Scope and Registration Requirements**

This will cover the following hazardous waste generators that will treat and dispose of their own generated wastes and will be required to register as Category A TSD facilities:

- 1.1 Generators that own and operate the equipment which will treat their own generated wastes; and
- 1.2 Generators that will acquire the services of mobile treatment of hazardous wastes owned and operated by a third-party service provider.

**Section 2. Definition of terms**

- 2.1 **Mobile Treatment Equipment** refers to the equipment used in recycling, recovering, regenerating, reclaiming, reprocessing, or treating hazardous wastes. It also refers to technologies in Categories B, D, and E of Table 5.1 (Categories of TSD Facilities).
- 2.2 **Service Provider** shall refer to a Third-Party Service Provider that owns and operates a piece of mobile treatment equipment.
- 2.3 **Generator** shall refer to hazardous waste generators as defined in DAO 2013-22.

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**Section 3. Registration Requirements for Category A TSD Facility**

- 3.1 For generators that fall under Section 1,1, the registration requirements shall follow those stipulated in Chapter 5, 5.2.1 of DAO 2013-22.
- 3.2 For generators that fall under Section 1.2, the following are the registration requirements:
  - 3.2.1 Copy of the amended Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) of the hazardous waste generator should treatment of their generated hazardous wastes are not included as one of the conditions;
  - 3.2.2 Copy of valid Permit to Operate (PTO) and Discharge Permit (DP), if applicable;
  - 3.2.3 Process flow and detailed description of the mobile treatment process including overall material balance identifying all by-products, end-products, and residues;
  - 3.2.4 Waste acceptance criteria and procedure to ensure that the mobile treatment facility shall not accept wastes beyond its capacity, including quantity and quality;
  - 3.2.5 Storage Management and Long-term Plan of the hazardous waste generator for recycled, processed, and recovered materials including residues as provided in Chapter 6 of DAO 2013-22;
  - 3.2.6 In case of recycling and recovery facility, the service provider shall submit an analysis of the recovered material or product to ensure that it shall meet the product standard; and
  - 3.2.7 Contingency and Emergency Plan.
  - 3.2.8 After the mobile treatment activity, a COT shall be issued by the service provider to the hazardous waste generator detailing the quantity of the hazardous waste treated, including its final disposal (if applicable).

**Section 5. Repealing Clause**

Any provisions of previous Circular, memoranda, and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby amended, superseded, or repealed accordingly.

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**Section 6. Effectivity**

This Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation and its registration with the Office of the National Administrative Registry (ONAR).

  
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