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**PPA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**  
NO. 14 - 2020

TO : Port Service Providers  
Port Terminal Operators  
Private Port Operators  
Department Managers  
Port Managers  
All Concerned

SUBJECT : **MANDATORY TREE AND/OR MANGROVE PLANTING AS A  
CONDITION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ACCREDITATION,  
CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION, APPOINTMENT, OR  
AWARD OF CONTRACT OR RENEWAL/EXTENSION THEREOF**

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### SECTION 1. LEGAL BASES

- 1.1 Section 6 (a) of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 857, as amended
- 1.2 Executive Order No. 26, series of 2011, entitled "*Declaring An Interdepartmental Convergence Initiative For A National Greening Program*"
- 1.3 Republic Act No. 9729 otherwise known as "*The Climate Change Act of 2009*" and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR)
- 1.4 PPA Board Resolution No. 2973 dated November 25, 2020.

### SECTION 2. COVERAGE

This Order shall apply to all grantees or persons or entities applying with the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) for the issuance of accreditation certificate, certificate of registration (COR), appointment, authorization, including those awarded with contracts for the provision of services in the ports.

### SECTION 3. GUIDELINES

- 3.1 The PPA accreditation certificate, certificate of registration, appointment, including contracts for the provision of services in the ports are subject to the condition that the applicant/grantee shall plant trees and/or mangroves.
- 3.2 The applicant/grantee shall coordinate with the local Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO), or concerned office or unit, of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) for the type of seedlings to be planted and the location where said seedlings shall be planted. Upon completion of

the planting, the grantee shall secure a certificate of completion from the said office which shall be submitted to the PPA office where the accreditation, PTO, COR, appointment, or contract was secured or awarded.

- 3.3 All applicants/grantees of certificates of accreditation, certificate of registration, appointment, or contract are required to plant trees/mangroves of at least 1,000 seedlings.
- 3.4 In addition to the 1,000 seedlings mentioned under Section 4.3, the following service providers are required to plant the following additional number of seedlings provided below:

<b>Port Service Provider</b>	<b>No. of Seedlings</b>
Port Terminal Operator	100,000
Cargo Handling Operator	50,000
Passenger Terminal Building Operator	50,000
Roll On Roll Off Operator	25,000
Private Port Operator	500,000
Harbor Pilot	10,000

- 3.5 Moreover, for contractors of PPA contracts for the supply of goods and/or services, they shall be required to plant at least 1,000 seedlings for contracts with at least P5 Million contract amount and additional 1,000 seedlings for every additional P5 Million contract amount, or fraction thereof.
- 3.6 Compliance with the foregoing requirements shall be made not later than one (1) year after the issuance of accreditation, PTO, certificate of registration, appointment, or award of contract, or from the effectivity of this Order, whichever comes first.
- 3.7 Port Management Offices and HO Responsibility Centers shall monitor compliance and coordinate with CENRO, or concerned office/unit, of DENR for the effective implementation of this Order.

#### **SECTION 4. PENALTY CLAUSE**

Non-compliance with this Order shall be a ground for the cancellation of accreditation, PTO, Certificate of Registration, appointment, contract, or the non-renewal thereof.

#### **SECTION 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE**


If any provision or section of this Order is declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected shall remain in force and effect.

#### **SECTION 6. REPEALING CLAUSE**

All issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby amended, modified, or repealed accordingly.

**SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY**

This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) calendar days from its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation and a copy file with the University of the Philippines Law Center.



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