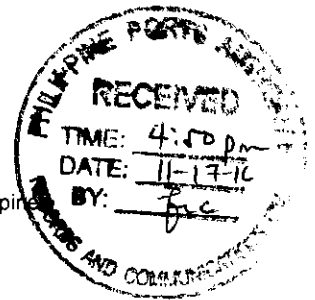




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**PPA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

No. 06 - 2016

**T O :** All Port Management Offices (PMOs), Shipping Companies, Port Users, Harbor Pilots' Associations, and Others Concerned

**SUBJECT :** **SUSPENSION OF COMPULSORY TUG ASSISTANCE SERVICE IN PORTS DECLARED BY PPA**

1. In the exigency of the service, compulsory tug assistance, by virtue of several Administrative Orders, is hereby suspended until further notice in the PMOs where said service was declared by PPA.
2. However, compulsory use of tug assistance in any of the following conditions, as determined by the Philippine Coast Guard, may be required:
  - 2.1 Strong current – the flow of current with a velocity of 4 knots or more and affects the maneuverability of the vessel;
  - 2.2 Wind factor – the velocity and direction of air current traveling at 30-50 KPH;
  - 2.3 Port condition – includes the nature of the approach to berth, the port structures and its facilities, the location of the berth and limited maneuvering space for the vessel;
  - 2.4 Inclement weather – the occurrence of tropical depression and stormy weather in the area during a vessel's maneuver; and
  - 2.5 Mechanical defect of vessel – a defect of the vessel which renders it incapable of maneuvering by itself due to sudden malfunctioning of the engine/propulsion/navigational equipment.
3. As a policy, any ship that causes damage to the port shall be held liable and shall be detained until such time that a Marine Protest has been filed and the concerned shipping company obligates itself to completely defray the cost of damage including the cost of opportunity loss as prescribed in PPA Memorandum Circular No. 14-2014.

*VISION*

*By 2030, PPA shall have provided globally competitive port service in the Philippines characterized by increased productivity, efficiency, connectivity, comfort, safety, security and environmental sustainability.*

*MISSION*

1. *Provide reliable and responsive services in ports, sustain development of community and the environment, and be a model corporate agency of the government.*
2. *Establish mutually beneficial, equitable and fair relationship with partners and service providers.*
3. *Provide meaningful and gainful employment while creating a nurturing environment that promotes continuous learning and improvement.*
4. *Establish a world class port operation that is globally competitive adding values to the country's image and reputation.*

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4. This Order amends the PPA Administrative Orders issued prescribing compulsory tug assistance at the following PMOs:

- 4.1 PMO Surigao - AO No. 08-2015
- 4.2 PMO Dumaguete - AO No. 06-2009
- 4.3 PMO Pulupandan - AO No. 02-2005
- 4.4 PMO Batangas - AO No. 11-2000
- 4.5 MICT - AO No. 08-2000
- 4.6 PMO Davao - AO No. 07-2000
- 4.7 PMO South Harbor - AO No. 06-1998 (amended by PPA AO 08-1999)
- 4.8 PMO Iloilo - AO No. 11-1997
- 4.9 PMO Ozamiz - AO No. 07-1997
- 4.10 PMO Iligan - AO No. 12-1996
- 4.11 PMO General Santos - AO No. 06-1996
- 4.12 PMO Zamboanga - AO No. 04-1996
- 4.13 PMO Nasipit - AO No. 03-1996
- 4.14 PMO Cagayan de Oro - AO No. 12-1995

This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

  
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