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DENR Environmental Policy Statement

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) as the primary government agency responsible for the conservation, management and development of the country's natural resources and the protection of the environment commits to ensure that all its activities and services will contribute towards a better quality of the environment for the present and future generations of Filipinos.

To pursue this commitment, DENR shall:

1. Serve as a role model in environmental management by:
 - 1.1. Fulfilling all its compliance obligations;
 - 1.2. Minimizing the adverse impacts of our own operations on the environment through resource conservation, pollution prevention and control, and the ecological waste management;
 - 1.3. Introducing green procurement by adhering to life-cycle thinking in availing products and services from suppliers and contractors;
2. Adhere to the principles of good environmental governance through transparency, accountability, and participatory decision-making;
3. Encourage other sectors to practice and promote sustainable environment and natural resources (ENR) through sound ENR policies and regulations;
4. Strengthen partnership and collaborative mechanism with other government agencies, business sectors, members of civil society, the public and international community and to consider their needs and expectations in the implementation of DENR EMS;
5. Conduct an effective information, education and communication program for all stakeholders, including its officials and employees, to heighten environmental awareness and responsibility;
6. Implement emergency preparedness and response program to provide environmentally safe and healthy work environment; and
7. Undertake continual improvement in the practice of environmental management in DENR through periodic management reviews of environment performance based on effective monitoring and risk management system.

This policy will provide the framework for setting environmental objectives and shall be available to interested parties.

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