



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Elliptical Road, Diliman
1100 Quezon City

SPECIAL ORDER

No. 498
Series of 2023

SUBJECT : COMPOSITION OF THE RISK IMPACT ASSESSMENT (RIA) OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

In the exigency of service and compliance to DA Administrative Circular no. 8, Series of 2022, "Requiring the Conduct of Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA) in the Modification, Repeal, or Formulation of Existing or New Regulations in the Department of Agriculture", the following officials and personnel shall compose the RIA Oversight Committee:

Chairperson : **Undersecretary Mercedita A. Sombilla**
Policy, Planning, and Regulations

Vice-chairperson : **Assistant Secretary Paz J. Benavidez II**
Regulations

Members : **Assistant Secretary Noel A. Padre**
Policy Research and Development

Assistant Director Mary Grace R. Mandigma
Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards

Ms. Tisha Pia E. Dela Rosa
MEPD, Policy Research Service

Mr. Joshua Sumague
FAFPD, Policy Research Service

Secretariat : **Office of the Assistant Secretary for Regulations**

The committee shall have the following general functions as per AC 8, Series of 2022:

1. To raise the quality of proposed regulations issued by the Department;
 2. To oversee the enforcement of this Circular by the various regulatory agencies of the Department, helping ensure that new or modified regulations meet the standards set on the content and form of the PIAs and/or RIAs;
 3. To encourage the participation of stakeholders in the process of formulating or modifying regulations under the DA;
 4. To coordinate with DA regulatory agencies on the monitoring and evaluation of approved regulation for possible policy revision and refinement;
 5. To act as the focal body in the Department for the conduct of PIA and/or RIA;
 6. To assist the regulatory agencies to decide on possible queries on the exemption from RIA or on the conduct of proportionality test;
 7. To review and endorse for consideration and approval of the Secretary the PIS or RIS, submitted by the head/s of proponent/s, and the final draft of the regulation;
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8. To conduct regular reviews of the circular for its possible improvement.

Expenses in the performance of their functions such as traveling expense and per diems shall be chargeable against their respective offices' funds while expenses during meeting and other related events shall be chargeable against OSEC funds, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All other orders, memoranda and other issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked or amended.

Done this 25th day of April 2023.


DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN
Senior Undersecretary



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