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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT : CREATION OF A NATIONWIDE TEAM FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF THE COMPOSTING FACILITY FOR BIODEGRADABLE WASTES (CFBW)

In the interest of service and in compliance to DA Memorandum from the Office of the Senior Undersecretary dated May 22, 2023 directing the conduct of an assessment of the implementation of Composting Facilities for Biodegradable Wastes (CFBW), a Nationwide Assessment Team on CFBW Implementation is hereby created. The composition of the CFBW Team are as follows:

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- Sub-Team Leaders** : **DR. ROEJAE CARLO A. ANG**, Assistant Professor III
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- Sub-Team Assistant Leaders** : **MR. CHARLIE T. PALILIO**, Science Research Specialist II
MR. GERALD E. CAMMAGAY, Senior Science Research Specialist
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Bureau of Agricultural and Fisheries Standards
- Sub-Team Members** : Representatives from PCAF
Representatives from BAFE
Representatives from concerned DA-Regional Field Office
- Secretariat** : Representatives from BAFE

The conduct of the assessment will be guided by the following:

1. The assessment shall cover CFBWs distributed from 2015-2021 under the National Organic Agriculture Program (NOAP) and the High Value Crops Development Program (HVCDP).
2. The Bureau of Agricultural and Fisheries Engineering (BAFE) shall act as Secretariat to the CFBW Nationwide Assessment Team and shall coordinate with all offices concerned on the activities to be undertaken by the assessment team.
3. In case of conflict in schedules, the members of the CFBW Assessment Team may be represented in meetings, workshops, and/or regional visits by their alternates duly selected by their agencies subject to an addendum or amendment to this Order.



- Each sub-team shall conduct the assessment in two (2) phases. Phase 1 shall be conducted in August - December 2023 and Phase 2 in 2024. The regional coverage of the Sub-Teams are as follows:

Sub-Team	Regional Coverage	
	Phase 1	Phase 2
I	CAR, Regions I and II	Regions II and IV-B
II	Region IV-A	Region V
III	Regions VII, VIII, X, and XI	Regions VI, IX, XII, and XIII

- The CFBW Assessment Team shall conduct the actual assessment of the CFBW program in the regions by gathering primary and secondary data. They shall prepare the regional reports and have these reviewed by the DA-RFOs through its Regional Executive Director prior to its finalization.
- The BAFE as Secretariat shall consolidate the regional reports per phase. The Phase I and II Consolidated Reports shall be returned to the Sub-Teams for their comments and suggestions then to the Senior Review Team for further enhancement of the report.
- The Overall Team Leader with the assistance of BAFE shall finalize the Consolidated Reports prior to submission and presentation to the DA OSEC.
- All offices involved in CFBW (BSWM, Banner Programs-NOAP and HVCDP and its Regional Coordinators, and DA-RFOs-RAED) shall extend technical and logistical support in the conduct of assessment activities in the regions.

Traveling expenses, per diem, and honorarium of Team Members outside of DA shall be chargeable against BAFE funds, while the traveling expenses, and per diem of Team Members from DA offices shall be chargeable against their respective office's funds, subject to existing government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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

Done this 16th day of August, 2023.

DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN
Senior Undersecretary



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