

Republic of the Philippines **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

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DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. D02G09-07-001G

ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATIONALIZATION OF THE RENEWABLE ENERGY MANAGEMENT BUREAU (REMB)

WHEREAS, Section 32 of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 9513 or the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 (An Act Promoting the Development, Utilization and Commercialization of Renewable Energy Resources and For Other Purposes) creates the Renewable Energy Management Bureau (REMB) under the DOE and dissolves the Renewable Energy Management Division of the Energy Utilization Management Bureau whose plantilla shall form the nucleus of the REMB:

WHEREAS, there is a need to establish the REMB pending the approval by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) of the Table of Organization and plantilla positions of REMB to effectively implement the provisions of the Act and facilitate and accelerate renewable energy development, utilization and commercialization;

whereas, the administration, regulation and promotion of geothermal energy resources and biofuels are handled by Geothermal and Coal Resource Development Division (GCRDD) of the Energy Resource Development Bureau (ERDB) and Alternative Fuels and Energy Technology Division (AFETD) of the Energy Utilization Management Bureau (EUMB), respectively;

WHEREAS, the exploration, development and utilization of geothermal energy resources and biofuels are presently covered by the provisions of R.A. No. 9513;

WHEREAS, the budgetary requirements necessary for the creation of the REMB has been included in the current appropriations of the DOE under the General Appropriations Act of 2009;

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the foregoing premises, a Renewable Energy Management Bureau is hereby established for immediate operations.

SECTION 1. Functions. The Renewable Energy Management Bureau shall have the following functions:

- a. Implement policies, plans and programs related to the accelerated development, transformation, utilization and commercialization of renewable energy resources and technologies;
- Develop and maintain a centralized, comprehensive and unified data and information base on renewable energy resources to ensure the efficient evaluation, analysis and dissemination of data and information on renewable energy resources, development, utilization, demand and technology application;
- c. Promote the commercialization/application of renewable energy resources including new and emerging technologies for efficient and economical transformation, conversion, processing, marketing and distribution to end users;
- d. Conduct technical research, socioeconomic and environmental impact studies of renewable energy projects for the development of sustainable renewable energy systems;
- e. Supervise and monitor activities of government and private companies and entities on renewable energy resources development and utilization to ensure compliance with existing rules, regulations, guidelines and standards;
- f. Administration and regulation of renewable energy resource development and technology commercialization;
- g. Provide information, consultation and technical training and advisory services to developers, practitioners and entities involved in renewable energy technology and develop renewable energy technology development strategies;
- h. Provide technical and administrative support to the National Renewable Energy Board (NREB); and
- Perform other functions that may be necessary for the effective implementation of the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 and the accelerated development and utilization of the renewable energy resources in the country.

SECTION 2. Composition. The REMB shall be composed of five (5) divisions namely, (a) Biomass Division (b) Geothermal Division (c) Ocean and

Hydropower Division (d) Solar and Wind Division, and (e) NREB Technical Secretariat and shall be headed by a Director and assisted by an Assistant Director.

SECTION 3. Transfer of Functions. The administration, regulation and promotion of geothermal energy resources and biofuels are hereby transferred to the herein created Geothermal Division and Biomass Division, respectively.

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause. The provisions of other department issuances, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Department Order shall take effect immediately.

Signed this 14th day of July 2009 in Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City, Metro Manila.

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