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DENR Administrative Order
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SUBJECT : Amending certain provisions of Ministry Administrative Order No. 50, dated November 19, 1986 (Integrated Regulation on the Establishment and Operations of Wood Processing Plants).

In order to rationalize the wood industry and promote its growth, certain provisions of Section 2, Chapter I, the entire provision of Section 6, Chapter II and certain provisions of Sections 10, 11 and 12 of Chapter IV of MAO 50 are hereby amended as follows:

"Section 2. Definition of Terms

Wood Processing Plant - a mechanical device, machine, combination of machines or set-up used for the treatment of wood poles and piles, or for the conversion of logs and other wood raw materials into lumber, veneer, plywood, wall board, block board, wood-cement board, paper board, pulp, paper, wood chips, or for the processing of other finished wood products."

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"Section 6. Application requirements:

- 6.1 Duly accomplished application form with notation by authorized DENR collection officer on the Official Receipt number and date of payment of the application fee.
- 6.2 Certificate of Registration of Articles of Incorporation, Partnership or Cooperation, as the case may be.
- 6.3 For individual persons, document reflecting proof of Filipino citizenship such as Birth Certificate or Certificate of Naturalization.
- 6.4 Environmental Compliance Certificate or Certificate of Non-Coverage, as the case may be, issued by the Environmental Management Bureau pursuant to DAO 96-37.
- 6.5 Sworn statement of the applicant declaring the source of wood raw materials, supported by certified documents such as, but not limited to,

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supply contracts, or other appropriate proof of availability and legitimacy of wood source

6.6 In case the Wood Processing plant is to be located in/ or already located in public forest land, the applications for Special Land Use Permit and processing plant permit will be processed simultaneously. The duration of the Special Land Use Permit shall be co-terminus with the duration of the processing plant permit."

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"Section 10 Tenure.

The Permit to Establish and Operate Wood Processing Plant referred to in sections 11 and 12 below shall be co-terminus with the forestry tenurial instruments issued such as CBFMA, IFMA, SIFMA, and TLA if the applicant is also the holder of such forestry tenurial instrument, provided, that the wood production from such forestry projects is the primary input to the processing plant. For applicants who are not holders of forestry tenurial instrument, the permit issued shall have a duration of three (3) years, renewable every three years thereafter, provided that the annual permit fee shall be duly paid "

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"Section 11 and 12. Authority to Establish and Permit to Operate Wood Processing Plant

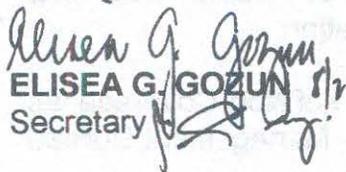
The Authority to Establish and the Permit to Operate shall be combined into a single **Permit to Establish and Operate Wood Processing Plant**. This same permit shall also be issued for authority to acquire new equipment and to expand existing wood processing plants.

The Permit to Establish and Operate Wood Processing Plant, including renewal to operate, shall be approved by the Regional Executive Director."

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Repealing Clause. All other provisions of MAO 50 Series of 1986 shall remain valid and with full force and effect.

Effectivity. This order shall take effect 15 days after publication in a newspaper of general circulation and upon acknowledgement of the UP Law Center.


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Secretary

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