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(National Irrigation Administration)
Lungsod ng Quezon

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

T O : THE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATORS, DEPARTMENT MANAGERS, REGIONAL IRRIGATION MANAGERS, OPERATIONS MANAGERS, PROJECT MANAGERS, DEPARTMENT MANAGERS, PROVINCIAL IRRIGATION ENGINEERS, IRRIGATION SUPERINTENDENTS AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : AMENDMENT TO M.C. NO. 7, SERIES OF 1994, RE: NIA's POSITION ON FUNDING REQUESTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF IRRIGATION PROJECTS

To avoid the loss of initial investments due to damage and deterioration of uncompleted facilities, NIA explored the possibility of completing the locally-funded CIPs devolved to LGUs in 1992. The projects were categorized into three. Those included in the first priority, or those about to be completed, needed P164 million (at 1992 prices) to finish the remaining works. Funds for this would come from the DA-NIA reserves, as identified by the Committee to Pump-Prime the Economy, headed by Sec. Cielito Habito. DA and NIA gave official concurrence for the use of their reserve funds for the first priority projects.

The Department of Budget and Management, however, denied the use of the DA and NIA reserve funds. It cited EO 507 which mandated the devolution that "It becomes imperative for LGUs to finance such projects from their share of the IRA". Hence, for all funding requests for the construction or improvement of communal irrigation projects by LGUs and IAs, you are directed to inform the proponents and LGUs of DEM's opinion (copy attached for your reference). Furthermore, let us strengthen our coordination with them and provide technical assistance in completing their projects.

For guidance and compliance.

(SGD.) APOLONIO V. BAUTISTA
Administrator

February 28, 1994