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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

TO : THE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATORS,
REGIONAL IRRIGATION MANAGERS, PROJECT MANAGERS,
OPERATIONS MANAGERS, PROVINCIAL IRRIGATION
ENGINEERS AND IRRIGATION SUPERINTENDENTS
This Agency

SUBJECT : POLICY GUIDELINES ON FORCE ACCOUNT WORKS

Pursuant to the verbal instruction from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture (DA), Civil Works Construction using NIA's equipment and personnel thru FORCE ACCOUNT WORKS (FAW) or BY ADMINISTRATION on local (GAA) or foreign-assisted funded projects are no longer authorized, except in any of the following situations:

1. In projects where the Bill of Quantities (BOQ) can not be determined in advance.
2. Where work(s) is are small and scattered (not more than P500,000.00) or is/are located in remote areas, for which contractor(s) may not be interested to bid or may not bid at reasonable prices.
3. Where the work(s) is are to be carried out immediately in order not to disrupt on-going operations or schedule(s) of operation.
4. Where the risks of interruption are better borne by NIA than by a contractor.
5. Where the work(s) is/are previously identified for Force Account Works or by Administration in the Minutes of Discussion (MOD) of the Loan Agreement.

All on-going Force Account Works however, are allowed to continue until completion.

In consonance with this policy guidelines, the implementation of the Memorandum Circular on Force Account Management Infrastructure System (FAMIS) is hereby suspended until a revise FAMIS is promulgated.

This shall take effect immediately.

For strict compliance.


MANUEL S. AREVALO
Administrator

March 7, 2000