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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY MANILA AUG 2018

DEPARTMENT ORDER) SUBJECT : Creation of an Agency Screening Committee to Screen Applicants for the Availment of the **Benefits of Republic Act No. 8439.** NO. Series of 2018

In line with Republic Act (R.A.) No. 8439 ("An Act Providing a Magna Carta for Scientists, Engineers, Researchers and other Science and Technology Personnel in Government"), an Agency Screening Committee (ASC) is hereby created for this purpose in accordance with Section 5 of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Administrative Order (A.O.) No. 006 Series of 2000 as prescribed under R.A. 8439. The ASC shall be composed of the following:

Chairman Members

: Undersecretary for Technical Services

- : Assistant Secretary for Technical Services
- : Assistant Secretary for Support Services
- : Director, Bureau of Research and Standards
- : Director, Human Resource and Administrative Service
- : Director, Legal Service

The ASC shall undertake the following functions:

- 1. Screen the applicants on their qualifications, classify them based on Section 5 of R.A. 8439, Section 3 of the I.R.R. of R.A. 8439, and Article IV of DOST A.O. 2009-004;
- 2. Identify/Confirm the classification of the Scientific and Technological Activities (STA) that the prospective applicants perform based on Section 3 of R.A. 8439, Section 2.3 of the I.R.R. of R.A. 8439, and Article IV of DOST A.O. 2009-004;
- 3. Identify/Confirm the hazard level and exposure in the work place of the prospective applicants, and other requirements that may be required by the DOST in assessing the grant of the benefits of R.A. 8439.
- 4. Submit report to the Secretary of DPWH together with the other requirements for the availment of the benefits of R.A. 8439 for endorsement to the Secretary of the DOST; and,
- 5. Other relevant activities as may be deemed necessary.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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