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DEPARTMENT ORDER) SUBJECT: REITERATING THAT **TESTING** OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS **CONDUCTED** PRIOR BE THEIR INCORPORATION INTO THE WORKS

In the light of the controversy arising from testing of cement between the Department's Bureau of Research and Standards (BRS) and a cement manufacturer, it is hereby reiterated that all construction materials, particularly cement, be subjected to quality tests prior to their incorporation into the works.

All Heads of Implementing Offices are hereby directed to ensure that only materials conforming to the specification requirements should be allowed to be used in DPWH projects.

In no case should any construction material be used without prior tests while those that failed to meet any of the requirements of the DPWH Standard Specifications should be rejected.

However, the existing provisions exempting cement and steel bars from quality tests if their quantities are too small, as mandated by Department Order No. 13, Series of 1987 re: Sampling and Testing of Construction Materials, shall continue to be enforced.

This supersedes all memoranda, orders and circulars issued in conflict herewith and shall take effect immediately.

Acting Secretary