MALACAÑANG MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 367

CREATING A SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS OF PRIVATE OWNERS OF MINED OUT LANDS.

WHEREAS, it has come to my knowledge that private owners of mined out lands have been complaining of the failure of mining operators to restore or regenerate their lands to their original productive states;

WHEREAS, there is necessity to create a special committee to hear the complaints and grievances of these landowners and to adopt measures to protect their rights and interests;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a special committee to investigate the complaints and grievances of private owners of mined out lands and to evaluate the efforts of mining companies in the restoration and regeneration of said lands into more productive states.

SEC. 2. The Committee shall be composed of the following:

Atty. Genaro A. Eslava - Chairman Officer In Charge Legal Office Office of the President

Engr. Regino Relova - Member Chief Mining Engineer Bureau of Mines

Atty. Romulo Radula - Member Sr. Legal Officer
Department of Natural Resources

Atty. Enrique Belo Philippine Chamber of Mines Member

SEC. 3. The Committee shall have all the powers and prerogatives of an investigating committee under Sections 71 and 580 of the Revised Administrative Code, including the power to summon witnesses, administer oaths, or take testimony or evidence relevant to the investigation by subpoena or subpoena duces tecum.

SEC. 4. The Committee may ask any department, bureau, office, agency or instrumentality of the government for such assistance as it may need in the performance of its functions.

SEC. 5. The Committee shall submit a monthly report of its activities to the President.

Done in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nine teen hundred and seventy-five.

By the President:

Executive Secretary