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HONORABLE ELISA D. CADINGAN
Municipal Mayor
Hinundayan, Southern Leyte

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU
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Dear Mayor Cadingan:

Warmest Greetings!

This is in connection to the inspection conducted by EMB 8 technical personnel at the LGU's disposal site in **Brgy. Navalita**. The inspection was undertaken to validate the status of the disposal site and whether the activities in the Safe Closure and Rehabilitation Plan (SCRP) have been implemented.

Based on the result of said inspection, the site is still being used as dumpsite and this is a violation of **Sec. 37 of RA 9003 (Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000)**, which requires the total closure of all open and controlled dumpsites. In addition, LGU Hinundayan has violated the issued **Cease and Desist Order (CDO)** for the closure of its disposal site.

Hence, the following are the recommended activities to be undertaken by LGU Hinundayan, to wit:

1. To immediately close and rehabilitate the dumpsite consistent with **DENR Administrative Order 09 series 2006 (General Guidelines in the Closure and Rehabilitation of Open Dumpsites and Controlled Dump Facilities)**, which the activities to be undertaken are indicated in the SCRP;
2. LGU must make use of the RCA building for the temporary storage of residual waste;
3. LGU should strengthen the implementation of segregation-at-source and segregated collection;
4. LGU should fast track the establishment of a categorized disposal facility; and
5. To submit to this Office a **Progress Report** on the closure of said dumpsite.

Furthermore, please note that pursuant to **Section 52** of the same law, appropriate **civil, criminal or administrative action** may be filed against any person, agency, or public officer who willfully or grossly neglects the performance of this Act. Hence, failure to close and rehabilitate your open dumpsite will constrain this Office to take appropriate actions in accordance with the provisions of RA 9003.

Thank you, more power and God Bless.

Very truly yours,

"For and in the absence of the Regional Director:"


ENGR. LIZA A. TAN

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