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HON. ATTY. ALLAN C. CONTADO, CPA Municipal Mayor Balangkayan, E. Samar

Dear Hon. Contado,

Environmental Greetings!

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Pursuant to the enactment of the Philippine Clean Water Act of 2004 (Republic Act No. 9275) and Republic Act 9003 otherwise known as "The Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000", the DENR-Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) Regional Office No. 8 is mandated to conduct a capacity development/ information, education, and communication (IEC) campaign to EMB stakeholders/community. It is believed that to get the support and cooperation of the community a massive information campaign on the protection of water and its quality should be conducted to instill in the minds of people that bodies of water are important to sustain the production of fish. Thus, in this activity, the LGU of Balangkayan E. Samar is a recipient of information drive and waste materials recovery training in order to maintain the cleanliness and quality of water bodies in your vicinity.

Our office, spearheaded by the Gender and Development Focal Point System and the Environmental Education Information Unit, has selected your Local Government Unit as a partner for the conduct of Capacity Development in the Implementation of Clean Water Regulations and Extension of Solid Waste and Livelihood Training. This activity aims to give knowledge about the said Act, develop practical skills in converting waste to useful materials and recognize the important contributions of women as stakeholders, experts, and educators.

There will be a lecture on the Philippine Clean Water Act and Ecological Solid Waste Management Act, demonstrating recycling techniques that could transform trash into new products. Relative to this, EMB will be distributing information materials relative to the Philippine Clean Water Act of 2004 (Republic Act No. 9275) and Republic Act 9003 for the development of women's and men's skills in recycling and reusing waste materials. Also, our office will distribute hygiene kits to stakeholders and members of women's organizations on April 27, 2021, from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM. In this regard, may we humbly request a venue for the said training.

Relative to the foregoing, we would like to request your office to invite at least forty (40) participants composed of women and men coming from the following sectors: (10) Barangay Health Workers, (15) Women Organizations, and (15) Fishermen Organizations/Housewives or other personalities who will benefit from this activity.

For confirmation and related queries, please contact Ms. Josephine B. Gravoso, GAD Focal Point Person at mobile no. 09361578567.

We look forward to your favorable response to this request. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

ENGR. REYNALDO B. BARRA OIC, Regional Director