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Municipal Mayor Burauen, Leyte

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Dear Mayor Renomeron,

Environmental Greetings!

This pertains to the Sanitary Landfill of LGU Burauen which was monitored by personnel from this Office on 22 February 2022 in order to assess its status of operation. The inspectors noted the following:

- 1. There was an ongoing construction of another cell (Cell 2) located east of the existing active cell (Cell 1);
- 2. Cell I was almost full;
- 3. Unsegregated or mixed type of wastes were dumped inside the active cell;
- 4. There were no soil covering, waste compaction and gas management at the active cell;
- 5. The following facilities are not functional:
- a. Drainage facility -
- b. Wastewater Treatment Facility leachate was observed to be leaking from the waste pile; and
- 6. There was no logbook for proper recording of SLF operation.

In view of the aforementioned findings, you are hereby advised to undertake the following measures:

- Apply for the amendment of the existing Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) for the SLF project considering that a new cell is already being constructed within the facility;
- 2. Improve the SLF operation thru the implementation of the following:
 - a. Regular application of soil cover;
 - b. Waste compaction;
 - c. Installation of gas vents;
 - d. Rehabilitation of the drainage system;
 - e. Rehabilitation of the wastewater treatment facility;
 - f. Provision of a separate area for special wastes; and
 - g. Provision of logbook for recording system.
- 3. Install an ECC signage/billboard at the entrance area;
- 4. Apply for a Discharge Permit;
- 5. Conduct water quality monitoring; and
- 6. Strictly implement segregation at source, segregated collection and waste diversion.

Please submit a report on your actions taken regarding this matter.

Thank you and more power.

Very truly yours,

OIC - Regional Director

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