

DENR CIRCULAR NO.

No. 04

SUBJECT: Guidelines Governing the Evaluation of Timber Resources Within Areas Under Provisional Timber Production Sharing Agreement (PTPSA).

Pursuant to DENR Memorandum Order No. 12 dated December 22, 1987 and in order to evaluate the Timber Resources within areas under Provisional Timber Production Sharing Agreement (PTPSA) the following guidelines are hereby issued for the guidance and compliance of all concerned:

SECTION 1. Evaluation Team composed of both FMB Central Office personnel and DENR field personnel shall be created to evaluate the Timber Resources within areas under PTPSA.

SECTION 2. The members of the Evaluation Team shall be Forest Officers who are Bachelor of Science in Forestry degree holders and occupying at least Forester items.

SECTION 3. The Evaluation Team shall perform the following task:

- a) Prepare the preliminary soil cover map of the licensed area based from the data obtained from recent aerial photographs, spot satellite, operations map and other sources of information.
- b) Delimit on the ground the extent of the remaining operable old growth forests and prepare the forest soil cover map of the area. Operable old growth forest found in various parcels/blocks shall be numbered consecutively.
- c) Conduct a timber inventory at 20% intensity over the operable old growth forests. Trees inventoried shall be marked consecutively and distinctively.

- d) Submit the inventory report, duly subscribed and sworn to, thru channel to the Undersecretary for Field Operations and shall be accompanied with the following:
1. Original tally sheet
 2. Stand and stock table
 3. Sketch map of the area showing, among others, vegetative cover
 4. Photographs of the first and last trees inventoried showing the numbers marked thereon and of the panoramic view of the forested portions inventoried.

SECTION 4. This Circular takes effect immediately.

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Undersecretary
For Field Operations

Signed on May 23, 1989