

Republic of the Philippines **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

(Kagawaran ng Enerhiya)

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Section 2 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7638, as amended, otherwise known as the "Department of Energy Act of 1992", Section 2 of RA No. 9513, otherwise known as the "Renewable Energy Act of 2008", the pertinent provisions of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) covered by Department Circular (DC) No. DC2009-05-0008, and DC No. [DC No.] entitled, "Revised Omnibus Guidelines Governing the Award and Administration of Renewable Energy Contracts and the Registration of Renewable Energy Developers," the Department hereby grants this Certificate of Authority (COA) to:

[HYDROPOWER DEVELOPER] as the exclusive Hydropower Developer of the [HYDROPOWER PROJECT]

situated at [covered municipality, provinces] more particularly described in a map with its technical description attached herein as Annex "A".

This COA [COA No.] is issued after [Hydropower Developer] has sufficiently complied with the requirements set forth in DC No. [DC No.] and is duly qualified to undertake the exploration of biomass energy resource.

By virtue of this COA, the abovementioned Hydropower Developer is given the exclusive authority to procure the necessary permits and tenurial instruments for the exploration, development, construction and installation, and commercial operation of the [Hydropower Project] from government agencies, local government units, entities or instrumentalities having jurisdiction over any aspect of the biomass development and conduct reconnaissance and other activities needed for pre-feasibility studies within the area specified in the certificate. The list of permits and tenurial instruments and activities needed for pre-feasibility studies is attached herein as Annex "B", as may be amended.

This COA shall take effect on the date of issuance and shall remain valid for a period not exceeding five (5) years. Failure to give written notice to execute the Hydropower Service Contract (HSC) as stipulated in Section [x], Chapter [x] of DC No. [DC No.] shall be deemed an abandonment of the HSC Application.

Given this _____ day of ______, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, Philippines.

RAPHAEL P.M. LOTILLA

Secretary