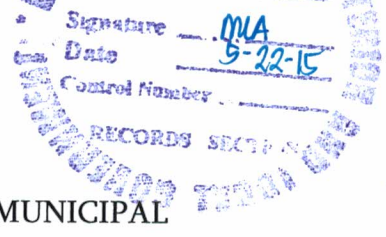




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TO : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL  
MAYORS, DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS, ARMM REGIONAL  
GOVERNOR, AND OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : 2015 PHILIPPINE INTERNATIONAL BIOMASS CONFERENCE

In support of the Philippine Biofuels Law, the University of the Philippines Los Baños-Interdisciplinary Biofuels Research Studies Center (UPLB-IBRSC) was launched in March 2014, to serve as a national research and policy center to address the technical concerns of the newly emerging biofuels industry.

With its intensive bioenergy research experiences and policy advisory engagements, UPLB-IBRSC is spearheading the 2015 Philippine International Biomass Conference on June 16-18, 2015 at the Widus Hotel and Casino, Clark Pampanga, with the theme: *“Exploring the Market potentials of biomass for bio-based fuels and energy”*, in partnership with the Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Agriculture Research (DA-BAR), Department of Energy (DOE) and Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), as co-organizers.

This conference aims to discuss: (a) potential solutions among stakeholders to address the increasing severity of garbage problems between municipalities having congested landfills, or no landfill at all, in response to the mandate of RA 9003 (Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000); (b) market potentials of biomass; (c) cutting edge technologies which are commercially competitive; (d) financial sustainability in the conversion to bio-based fuels; (e) energy of agricultural and forestry crops and residues as well as municipal solid waste; and (f) presentation of the US and Canada of their technologies and competitive business model in the production of power and fuels using biomass and municipal solid waste.

In this connection, all Local Chief Executives are hereby encouraged to send a representative to attend the said conference. The payment of travelling expenses may be authorized, chargeable against local funds, and subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

For other inquiries, interested LG officials may get in touch with the Event Coordinators, namely: Mesdames Lisa Stephanie H. Dizon, Filipina B. Obligado or Froilyn Ann Demafelis at Telephone numbers (049)536-2315 or 536-3664, (Globe) 0916-498-0475 and (Smart) 0928-761-0207 or through email address: [philbiocon@yahoo.com](mailto:philbiocon@yahoo.com) or [philbiocon@gmail.com](mailto:philbiocon@gmail.com).

All DILG Regional Directors and the ARMM Regional Governor are also directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to LGUs within their respective jurisdictions.

  
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