

**[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 252, November
22, 1991]**

**CREATING THE TASK FORCE ON MINI-HYDROELECTRIC POWER
DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7156 entitled "An Act Granting Incentives to Mini-Hydroelectric Power Developers and For Other Purposes" declares it "the policy of the State to strengthen and enhance the development of the country's indigenous and self-reliant scientific and technological resources and capabilities and their adaptation to the country in order to attain energy self-sufficiency and thereby minimize dependence on outside source of energy supply" (Section 2, R. A. 7156);

WHEREAS, in pursuance of this State policy, mini-hydroelectric power developers shall be granted the necessary incentives and privileges to provide an environment conducive to the development of the country's hydroelectric power resources to their full potential;

WHEREAS, R. A. 7156 vests in the Office of Energy Affairs (OEA) the sole and exclusive authority responsible for the regulation, promotion and administration of mini-hydroelectric power development and the implementation of the provisions of this Act;

WHEREAS, in the exercise of this Task, the Office of Energy Affairs shall promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the proper implementation and administration thereof in consultation with concerned government agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE. I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a Task Force on Mini-Hydroelectric Power Development, hereinafter referred to as the Task Force, to be composed of the Executive Director, Office of Energy Affairs, as Chairman, and senior representatives of the following agencies, as members:

Department of Trade and Industry
National Water Resources Board
National Electrification Administration
National Power Corporation
National Irrigation Administration
National Economic and Development Authority

SEC. 2. The Task Force shall assist the Office of Energy Affairs in the promulgation of the rules and regulations to govern mini-hydroelectric power development. Such rules and regulations shall be made subject to consultations with the private sector.