

**[ NTC MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 08-12-2009,  
December 22, 2009 ]**

**SUPPLEMENTING THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
COMMISSION'S (NTC) MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR (MC) 10-09-  
2004, PRESCRIBING GUIDELINES FOR THE SPECIAL  
REGISTRATION OF UNREGISTERED RADIO TRANSCEIVERS ON  
BOARD COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSELS WEIGHING 3.1 GROSS  
TONS AND ABOVE**

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 546, Series of 1979, vests the NTC with the power to grant permits and licenses for the use of radio frequencies and radio communications systems;

WHEREAS, in line with the purposes and objectives of Fisheries Administrative Order No. 223, Series of 2003 of the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR), the NTC undertakes to support BFAR's program in granting the moratorium in the issuance of new commercial fishing vessel and gear license (CFGVL) as part of the precautionary approach to fisheries management;

WHEREAS, BFAR has entered into an agreement with the Philippine Coast Guard (PSG), the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), and the NTC to create a Joint Mobile and Registration Licensing Team (JMRLT) to facilitate the conduct of national inventory of commercial fishing vessels and the issuance of new CFVGLs;

WHEREAS, during the Second Organizational Meeting held last 18 August 2009, it was agreed upon by all the Parties to mobilize the JMRLT to address the illegal, unre-ported and unregulated fishing;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Commission hereby directs and orders all vessel owners to register their radio transceivers/transmitters in accordance with the following guidelines:

1. Registration shall commence and be conducted by the NTC Regional Offices on the following dates:

1.1 Region IV

- 1.1.1 Sangley, Cavite – September 16, 2009
- 1.1.2 Lucena, Quezon – September 18, 2009
- 1.1.3 Atimonan, Quezon – September 19, 2009
- 1.1.4 Infanta, Quezon – September 25, 2009
- 1.1.5 Real, Quezon – September 26, 2009
- 1.1.6 Batangas – September 30, 2009

1.2 Region XII