## [ DOA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 05, S. 2005, January 20, 2005 ]

## ADOPTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING STANDARDS VOLUME IV, SERIES OF 2004

WHEREAS, Articles 5, 6 and 7, Chapter I, Title II of R.A. 7394 (Consumer Act of the Philippines) mandates the following agencies to develop and enforce standards: Department of Agriculture (DA) on agricultural products; Department of Health (DOH) on drugs, cosmetics devises and substances; and Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) on other products not covered by DA and DOH;

WHEREAS, the DA, pursuant to Section 59 of R.A. 8559 (Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization Act) and Section 2, Chapter I, Title IV (Agriculture), Book IV of EO No. 292 of 1987, is responsible for the promotion and regulation of agricultural machinery;

WHEREAS, the development and enforcement of agricultural engineering standards is vital and necessary in ensuring safety, functional efficiency and economic viability of agricultural and fishery machinery and other agricultural engineering projects of the DA;

WHEREAS, the DA, through Administrative Orders (AO) No. 10, series of 2002, No. 6 series of 2003 and No. 11, series of 2003, has adopted the Philippine Agricultural Engineering Standards Volume I, series of 2000 (PAES I), Volume II, series of 2001 (PAES II) and Volume III, series of 2002 (PAES III), and has required all DA-OSEC services, bureaus, attached agencies and regional field units to comply with the said standards;

WHEREAS, the DA had entered a Memorandum of Agreement with the University of the Philippines Los Banos for the continuation of the development of agricultural engineering standards which shall be undertaken by the Agricultural Machinery Testing and Evaluation Center (AMTEC);

WHEREAS, twenty one (21) additional agricultural standards have been developed by the DA and the UPLB comprising the Philippine Agricultural Engineering Standards Volume IV, series of 2004, and have undergone extensive technical reviews, circulation and public hearing conducted by NAFC;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARTHUR C. YAP, Secretary of Agriculture, pursuant to Section 3, paragraph 3, Chapter I, Title IV, Book IV of EO 292 of 1987 and in view of the foregoing do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Adoption of PAES IV, series of 2004 - The following twenty one agricultural engineering standards, attached as Annex "A" are hereby adopted as the Philippine Agricultural Engineering Standards Volume IV, series of 2004: