

**[PPA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 02-05,
February 17, 2005]**

**REGULATIONS ON COMPULSORY TUG ASSISTANCE AT THE
BASEPORT OF PULUPANDAN AND AT OTHER PORTS WITHIN THE
JURISDICTION OF PMO-PULUPANDAN**

1. Authority

1.1 Section 6 (a), (ii), (iii), (v) and 20 of P.D. 857

1.2 Section 12 of PPA AO No.03-85

2. Scope

This Order shall cover all foreign and domestic vessel with 1,000 gross registered tonnage (GRT) and above which dock/undock at the baseport of Pulupandan and at other ports within the jurisdiction of PMO-Pulupandan.

3. Objective

To protect government port facilities and to ensure the safe maneuvering of vessels at the baseport of Pulupandan and at other ports within the jurisdiction of PMO-Pulupandan, through the use of tugs.

4. Guidelines

4.1 Responsibility for Ensuring Availability of Tug Assistance

The Authority (PPA) shall provide tug assistance service by authorizing shipping companies or private entities to provide such service on a non-exclusive basis.

4.2 Permit to Operate Tug Assistance

4.2.1 Only tug operators with a valid Permit to Operate (PTO) issued by PMO-Pulupandan shall be allowed to render tug assistance service, subject to such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, in addition to the requirements of other agencies. The tugboat operator shall provide the equipment needed to render efficient service.

4.2.2 Tugboat towing barges/lighters are exempted from the above required annual permit when utilized solely for their own barges/lighters. Otherwise, the above permit is required when servicing other vessels for purposes of this regulation.

4.3 Table of Tug Requirements

Tug assistance requirements shall be determined on the basis of the gross registered tons (GRT) of the vessels and capacity (HP) of the tugs in