## [ DOTC DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 2005-34, October 11, 2005 ]

## AMENDMENT OF SECTION 7.5 (IT REQUIREMENT) OF DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 2004-01 PRESCRIBING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF DOTC/LTO AUTHORIZATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE PRIVATE EMISSION TESTING CENTERS (PETCS)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21 (B) of Republic Act No. 8749, otherwise known as the "Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999", DOTC is mandated to implement the emission standards for motor vehicles as provided in the Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999, authorize private emission testing centers duly accredited by DTI, and formulate, with DTI, a national motor vehicle inspection and maintenance program that will promote efficient and safe operation of all motor vehicles;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the said Act, DOTC and DTI issued on July 11, 2001, their Joint Administrative Order No. 1, series of 2001, providing for the Guidelines for Accreditation and Authorization of Motor Vehicle Emission Testing Centers;

WHEREAS, DOTC issued on November 24, 2003, Department Order No. 2004-01, providing for the Rules and Regulations Concerning the Issuance of DOTC/LTO Authorization of Motor Vehicle Private Emission Testing Centers (PETCs);

WHEREAS, PETCs were required, through PETC Information Technology (I.T.) Providers, to upload emission test results, online and real-time, to the DOTC/LTO IT System, to assure the integrity of the emission test results.;

WHEREAS, DOTC earlier issued Memorandum Circular No. 2003-1, on June 11, 2003, adopting the LTO Proposal to Improve the Efficiency and Effectiveness of the PETC Information Management System;

WHEREAS, to date, not all of the LTO considered proposals have been effected to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the PETC Information Management System (the "PETC System"), including its integration or interconnection with the DOTC/LTO IT System, and neither have proper qualifications and regulations been adopted with respect to PETC IT Providers;

WHEREAS, there is therefore an urgent need to address the foregoing deficiencies, which are contributory to the continued proliferation of fraudulently issued Certificates of Emission Compliance ("CEC") or non-compliance by PETCs with the foregoing prescribed rules and regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, premises considered, Section 7.5 of Department Order No. 2004-01 dated November 24, 2003, prescribing the Rules and Regulations governing the Issuance of Authorization of PETC IT Providers, are hereby amended to read as follows: