[PPA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 11, S. 2000, October 23, 2000]

REGULATIONS ON COMPULSORY TUG ASSISTANCE AT PORT OF BATANGAS

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 vessels with 500 GRT and above which dock/undock at the Baseport of Batangas and all ports within the jurisdiction of the Port Management Office (PMO) of Batangas.

3. OBJECTIVE

To protect government port facilities and marine environment and to ensure the safe maneuvering of vessels at the Baseport of Batangas and all ports within the jurisdiction of PMO-Batangas 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-Batangas shall be allowed to render tug assistance service, subject to the requirements of other agencies. The tug operator shall provide the equipment needed to render efficient service.
- 4.2.2 Tugboats 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 Requirement Tug assistance requirements shall be determined on the basis of the gross registered tonnage (GRT) of the vessels and capacity (HP) of the tugs in accordance with the following specifications: