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**SUBJECT : AMENDMENT OF THE INTERIM GUIDELINES ON ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PERMIT TO TRANSPORT (SPTT) FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS WASTES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY QUARANTINE PERIOD**

In view of the implementation of the Memorandum from the Executive Secretary dated 16 March 2020 on Community Quarantine over the entire Island of Luzon and Further Guidelines for the Management of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation, and pursuant to the need for the continuity of operations in the field of public health and safety, and to expand the coverage of EMB MC 2020-014 and 2020-015, the following provisions are hereby provided.

Section 1. *Amendment of Section 2 of EMB MC 2020-014.* The afore-stated provision shall be hereby read as follows:

“Section 2. *Coverage.* This Interim Guidelines shall be for Registered Transporters and Registered TSD Facilities which respectively haul, treat and/or dispose healthcare wastes nationwide.”

Section 2. *Amendment of Section 1 of EMB MC 2020-015.* The afore-stated provision shall be hereby read as follows:

“Section 1. *Existing Permits for M501.* All transporters with valid regular PTT shall continue to collect/haul hazardous (COVID-19) wastes and other pathological and infectious waste from healthcare facilities (M501) and allowed to pass-thru checkpoints for delivery at designated TSD Facility. Likewise, upon expiration during the period, a SPTT shall be secured online.

All TSD Facilities with TSD Registration Certificates, and transporters with Transporter Registration Certificate (TRC), handling M501 which shall expire during the period covered by the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) shall automatically be extended for sixty (60) days. Application for Renewal shall however be immediately done within five (5) days as soon as the ECQ is lifted.”

Section 2. *Effectivity.* This Memorandum Circular shall be effective immediately until the 14 April 2020, unless otherwise sooner lifted or extended. Copy of these Memorandum Circulars shall be furnished to the Inter Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) and the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG).

  
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