

DOE-DOTC-DENR-DTI-DILG-DOH-DOST AND TESDA
JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER (JAO) NO. 01 SERIES OF 2016
CREATING THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG) ON THE USE OF
AUTOLPG AS FUEL FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND FOR OTHER RELATED
PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE)** is mandated under RA 7638 as amended, (Department of Energy Act of 1992) to prepare, integrate, coordinate, supervise and control all plans relative to energy exploration, utilization, distribution, and conservation, among others;

WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY – ENERGY UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT BUREAU (DOE-EUMB)** is implementing the AutoLPG program (AutoLPG) to promote the use of LPG in vehicles and other related applications as clean alternative technology and, at the same time, ensure energy security through diversification of fuel for the transport sector;

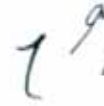
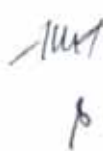
WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY** through **EUMB-ALTERNATIVE FUELS AND ENERGY TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFETD)**, acts as the interim AutoLPG Technical Working Group (TWG) Secretariat which will provide administrative support to the TWG;

WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY - OIL INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT BUREAU (DOE-OIMB)** is mandated to ensure compliance with fuel quality standards and proper retailing of AutoLPG;

WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS- (DOTC)**, is the primary policy, planning, programming, coordinating, implementing and administrative entity of the executive branch of the government on the promotion, development and regulation of a dependable and coordinated network of transportation and communications systems, as well as in the fast, safe, efficient and reliable transportation and communications services;

WHEREAS, **DOTC - Land Transportation Office (DOTC-LTO)** is mandated to conduct road worthiness inspection and registration of motor vehicles, issue licenses and permits for vehicles, enforce the land transportation rules and regulations, and adjudicate traffic cases and collect revenues for the government on land transport sector;

WHEREAS, **DOTC - Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB)** is mandated pursuant to Executive Order No. 125 and Executive Order No. 202, 1987 to formulate, promulgate, administer, implement and enforce rules and regulations on land transportation public utilities, standard of measurements and/or design, and rules and regulations related to public land transportation service including the issuance of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) or franchise;



WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES- ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU (DENR-EMB)** is mandated among others, to implement guidelines, laws, policies, rules and regulations on pollution prevention and control including emission of vehicles in the transport sector and establish vehicle emission standards for new and in-use motor vehicles and issuance of Certificate of Conformity for new motor vehicles;

WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY – BUREAU OF PHILIPPINE STANDARDS (DTI-BPS)** as the National Standards Body of the Philippines established through the Republic Act No. 4109, otherwise known as the Philippine Standardization Law, and Executive Order No. 133, is mandated to develop, implement, and coordinate standardization activities in the Philippines, more particularly standards development, product certification, and standards implementation which include, among others, the certification of AutoLPG containers;

WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY – CONSUMER PROTECTION ADVOCACY BUREAU (DTI-CPAB)**, a policy-making and implementing body for consumer protection, is mandated to conduct promotion of consumer education and advocacy, undertake the review of domestic trade laws and evaluate and monitor their implementation, and formulate policies and standards on the conduct of business and industry including certification of AutoLPG vehicle conversion and automotive repair and maintenance shops;

WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT-BUREAU OF FIRE PROTECTION (DILG-BFP)**, created by virtue of RA 6975, is mandated to ensure public safety of all land transportation vehicles and equipment through prevention and suppression of destructive fires, among others;

WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONTROL BUREAU (DOH-DPCB)**, is the principal health agency in the Philippines responsible for ensuring equitable, accessible and quality health services for all Filipinos through the formulation and development of health policies, guidelines, standards, capacity-building and provisions of technical assistance;

WHEREAS, the **DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DOST)** is mandated to provide central direction, leadership and coordination of scientific and technological efforts and ensure that the results therefrom are geared and utilized in areas of maximum economic and social benefits for the people through **PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR INDUSTRY, ENERGY AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (PCIEERD)** in the

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industry and emerging technology sector, and **METALS INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER (MIRDC)** in area of engineering materials applications.

WHEREAS, the **TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA)**, established through the enactment of Republic Act No. 7796 otherwise known as the "Technical Education and Skills Development Act of 1994", is mandated among others, to integrate, coordinate and monitor skills development programs, approve skills standards and tests, and provide assistance to programs and projects for technical education and skills development including training on, assessment and certification of the repair and maintenance skills of automotive technicians,

WHEREAS, cognizant of these inter-agency jurisdictions in the effective implementation of the AutoLPG program, there is a need to harmonize AutoLPG-related policies, rules and guidelines and establish a mechanism for collaboration, cooperation, and coordination;

WHEREAS, a working group recognized by and composed of all the involved agencies is necessary to review, evaluate and recommend revisions, updates, and adoption of new policies, guidelines, rules and regulations in line with each agency's mandate;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the above premises, a Technical Working Group (TWG) on the use of AutoLPG as Fuel for Public Transport and other Related Purposes, is hereby created, referred to herein as the **AUTOLPG TWG**.

SECTION 1. COMPOSITION OF THE AUTOLPG TWG

The AutoLPG TWG shall be composed of representatives from the following agencies/offices and organizations which should not be lower than Bureau Head/Service Unit Head:

Chair : Department of Energy –Energy Utilization Management Bureau

Co-Chair: Department of Transportation & Communications

Members:

DOE-Oil Industry Management Bureau
DOTC-Land Transportation Office
DOTC-Land Transportation Franchising & Regulatory Board
DENR-Environmental Management Bureau
DTI-Bureau of Philippine Standards
DTI-Consumer Protection and Advocacy Bureau
DILG-Bureau of Fire Protection
DOH-Disease Prevention and Control Bureau
DOST-Philippine Council for Industry Energy and Emerging Technology Research Division
DOST-Metals Industry Research and Development Center
Technical Education and Skills Development Authority

For administrative purposes, the duly authorized representative shall nominate their alternate member to the TWG.

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SECTION 2. POWERS, FUNCTIONS, AND DUTIES OF AUTO LPG TWG

2.1 The AutoLPG TWG shall have the following powers, duties, and responsibilities:

- 2.1.1. Prepare, develop, and implement a work plan in support to AutoLPG Program;
- 2.1.2. Review and evaluate existing AutoLPG-related policies, guidelines, rules and regulations, and propose appropriate revisions/amendments;
- 2.1.3. Periodically review, evaluate and recommend needed changes in the existing technical and safety standards for AutoLPG and other related technologies for transport for recommendation to the DTI-BPS.
- 2.1.4. Recommend initiatives including research and development activities;
- 2.1.5. Serve as the technical advisory group to the AutoLPG Program.
- 2.1.6. Perform such other activities as maybe deemed necessary and consistent with AutoLPG program.

2.2. The duties and responsibilities of each member-agency shall be limited to matters, concerns, and issues that are within the concerned Agency's mandate and jurisdiction.

2.3. The AutoLPG TWG may seek or avail itself of the assistance of resource experts such as the UP-National Center for Transportation Studies, UP-Vehicle Research and Testing Laboratory, CCAAP-Coalition for Clean Air Advocates of the Philippines, Red Clover, and such other organizations, in the performance and conduct of its functions and duties.

2.4. The AutoLPG TWG shall formulate its internal guidelines in the matter of decisions agreed upon and in the resolutions of disagreements.

SECTION 3. SECRETARIAT AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

Secretariat and administrative support to the TWG shall be provided by the Alternative Fuels and Energy Technology Division of the Energy Utilization and Management Bureau which shall perform the following tasks:

3.1. Organize and conduct regular TWG meetings.

- 3.1.1. Prepare TWG notice, meeting agenda and documentation;
- 3.1.2. Prepare and distribute the minutes of TWG meeting;
- 3.1.3. Ensure follow-up of concerns and decisions taken at the TWG meetings; and

3.2. Keep and maintain all TWG documentations.

3.3. Perform such other tasks in support of the implementation of the AutoLPG Program as maybe proposed by the AutoLPG TWG.

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SECTION 4. SOURCES OF FUNDS

Personnel related expenses will be shouldered, incurred or defrayed by the respective member-agency in relation to the implementation of this Joint Administrative Order subject to the usual government and auditing rules and regulations, such as:

- 4.1. transportation
- 4.2. accommodation
- 4.3. meals
- 4.4. per diem
- 4.5. honorarium and
- 4.6. other incidental expenses

SECTION 5. REVIEW AND REVISION

This Joint Administrative Order shall be subject to review and revision every five (5) years, or as the need arises. Review may be initiated by any member agency of the TWG through consultations with the member agencies and with the approval of their respective Secretaries or the Heads of the Offices.

SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY

If any provisions of this Joint Administrative Order is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity and the effectivity of the other provisions hereof.

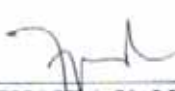
SECTION 7. REPEALING CLAUSE

All orders and circulars inconsistent with this Joint Administrative Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVITY

This Joint Administrative Order shall take effect fifteen days (15) after its complete publication in a newspaper of general circulation and upon filing with the National Administrative Register, and upon furnishing the U.P. Law Center with a copy hereof.

_____, Metro Manila, _____, 2016.



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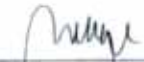
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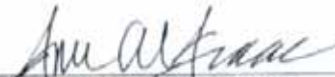

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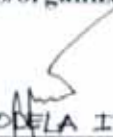

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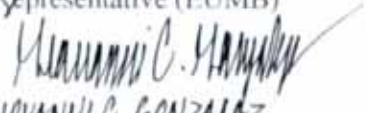
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