



**MEMORANDUM**

TO : **THE OIC-CHIEF**  
EIA AND MANAGEMENT DIVISION

FROM : **THE OIC-DIRECTOR**

SUBJECT : **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MAJOR MINING PROJECTS FILING APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE (ECC)**

DATE : 15 OCTOBER 2014

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It has been observed that EIA Reports filed in support of applications for ECC, particularly major mining project are not based on a clear presentation of area that will be subjected to mining operations, thereby negating the purpose of having a focused and effective review of environmental impacts. As such, your Office is hereby directed to strictly require submission of the following prior to the conduct of any technical scoping:

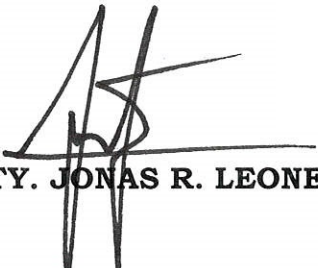
1. Mining Project Feasibility Study following the outline established under MGB Form No. 5-3; and
2. Complete and final exploration report pertaining to the area duly signed by a competent person and received by the Mines and Geosciences Bureau.

Project proponents and EIA Consultants shall consider and integrate the above information in the preparation of its EIA Report for this Office to have a more accurate assessment of environmental impacts and consequently arrive at a practical and credible mitigating measures.

Hence, all mining projects that will be submitting EIA reports for procedural screening shall be informed and be required of the foregoing requirements prior to acceptance thereof.

Henceforth the above requirements shall form part of the Public Scoping Report reflecting that the information contained therein were likewise relayed/presented to stakeholders affected.

For your strict compliance.

  
**ATTY. JONAS R. LEONES**