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**MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA**  
**OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR**



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 047 – 2024

**AN ORDER CREATING A LOCAL TASK FORCE TO CONDUCT  
CLEARING OPERATIONS ON OVERLOADED AND/OR  
HAZARDOUS POLES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA  
MARIA, BULACAN**



**WHEREAS**, Memorandum Circular No. 2023-115 of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) established guidelines and procedures for managing overloaded and hazardous utility poles to ensure public safety and operational efficiency;

**WHEREAS**, it has become evident that additional measures are necessary to effectively address the issues related to overloaded and hazardous poles, which pose risks to public safety and infrastructure integrity;

**WHEREAS**, Memorandum Circular No. 2024-122 seeks to amend the previous guidelines and establish a dedicated Task Force to enhance the efficiency of clearing operations and address the challenges associated with overloaded and hazardous poles;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARTOLOME R. RAMOS**, Municipal Mayor of Santa Maria, Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by existing applicable laws, do hereby **CREATE A LOCAL TASK FORCE TO CONDUCT CLEARING OPERATIONS ON OVERLOADED AND/OR HAZARDOUS POLES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA, BULACAN**.

**SECTION 1. CREATION OF THE TASK FORCE.** A Local Task Force is hereby created to conduct regular monitoring and assessment to ensure that there are no illegal, unauthorized, non-compliant wires, cables, and other foreign attachments by Pole Users, and hazardous poles in their respective territorial jurisdictions.

**SECTION 2. COMPOSITION.** The Local Task Force shall be composed of the following members:

Lead Focal : **ENGR. JAMES PAUL M. DE GUZMAN**  
Engineer III

Members : **FSINSP ADRIAN L. SARTO**  
Municipal Fire Marshal

Representative  
**MERALCO**





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**Converge Information and  
Communications Technology Solutions**

Representative  
**GLOBE Telecom**

Representative  
**SMART Telecom**

Representative  
**DITO Telecom**

**SECTION 3. FUNCTIONS OF THE LOCAL TASK FORCE shall be:**

- A. To establish a system for the recording and monitoring of poles, wires, and cables within the jurisdiction of the LGU that require maintenance, repair, and/or due for replacement. The recording and monitoring of the poles, wires, and cables shall be done in phases based on the prioritization established by the Municipality and Pole Owner;
- B. To establish a system in ensuring that Pole Users have secured the consent from the Pole Owners before the Municipality issues a permit to install wires, cables, and other foreign attachments herein;
- C. To ensure that the Pole Users remove the wires, cables, and foreign attachments when they are:
  - I. No longer required;
  - II. No longer in use;
  - III. Not authorized;
  - IV. Not installed in compliance with regulations and standards provided by laws or;
  - V. Hazardous;
  - VI. Threaten public safety or otherwise required to be removed by any competent authority;
- D. To discuss and ascertain how to address the overloaded poles, tangled wires and cables, and/or hazardous poles, wires, and cables that pose health and safety risks and set a reasonable, mutually beneficial, schedule/timeline for the execution of clearing operations which include repair, rectification, removal of illegal, unauthorized, unused and/or retired cables and wires, and other foreign attachments (this clause is hereby termed as the "Clearing Operations");





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- E. To identify, within a mutually agreed upon schedule/timeframe, priority areas which require immediate repairs or clearing operations;
- F. To ensure that the necessary logistical permits, and logistics overall assistance are provided by the Municipality to the local task force (headed by its Engineering Office) that will conduct the clearing operations or for the repair, removal, or replacement of hazardous poles;
- G. To ensure that the head of the local task force prepares progress reports every quarter for the use and reference of the members of the task force, stating the actions taken, the intended program to be implemented, and the accomplishments and other pertinent details;
- H. To actively and closely monitor this endeavor and where appropriate, propose to the DILG procedures/methods to improve the process;
- I. To regularly meet for continued monitoring and updating and to ensure the smooth implementation of the Clearing Operations and other initiatives;
- J. To develop a communication strategy to effectively disseminate information regarding the Clearing Operations and other initiatives affecting the community, which may utilize the existing platforms of the LGUs and public utilities. The LGU concerned shall coordinate with pole owners and the Bureau of Fire Protection in the determination of load capacity and life expectancy/service life of each pole in their area of jurisdiction; and
- K. To exercise such other functions necessary for the purposes of this issuance.

**SECTION 4. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** Nothing in this Executive Order shall be construed to impose additional requirements, other than the consent from Pole Owners which shall strictly be required, or fees and charges for the issuance by Municipality of permits, or authorize additional impositions of any kind, including, but not limited to, regulatory fees. If any section or part of this Order is held unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All orders, rules and regulations, issuances or any part thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.





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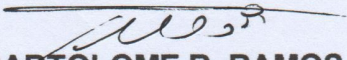
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**SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY.** This Order shall take effect immediately upon signing.

**DONE**, in the Municipality of Santa Maria, Bulacan, this 18th day of September in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

  
**BARTOLOME R. RAMOS**  
Municipal Mayor 