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DESIGNATING THE NATIONAL IRRIGATION ADMINISTRATION AS THE IMPLEMENTING AGENCY FOR THE JALAUR RIVER IRRIGATION PROJECT IN ILOILO

WHEREAS, the Jalaur River Irrigation Project is designed to provide dependable water supply critical for the country's production program;

WHEREAS, a project study for the Jalaur River Irrigation Project has already been made and found economically viable;

WHEREAS, the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) is a government agency involved in the execution of the national irrigation projects and as such has the necessary experience expertise required for the speedy and successful implementation of irrigation projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ferdinand E. Marcos, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby designate the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) as the Implementing Agency for the Jalaur River Irrigation Project.

As such, the NIA shall have the following functions:

- 1. To ensure the early and successful implementation and completion of the project;
- 2. To negotiate with and receive from the financing institutions loans to finance the project;
- 3. To coordinate with the National Water Resources Council (NWRC) in the planning and supervision of this project;
- 4. To recommend to the President through the NWRC, policies, rules and regulations that will govern the operation of the project;
- 5. To submit quarterly progress reports to the President.

All departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and instrumentalities of government are hereby enjoined cooperate with and assist the NIA in the performance assigned tasks, to ensure the early and successful implementation of the project.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 17th day of December, in the year of our Lord,