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**MEMORANDUM ORDER** NO. 05 Series of 2025

DESIGNATION OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE **SUBJECT** 5 DIVISION (AHWD) AS THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE PHILIPPINE ANIMAL HEALTH INFORMATION SYSTEM (PHIL-AHIS)

The Animal Health and Welfare Division (AHWD) of the Bureau of Animal Industry is mandated to investigate, study and report the condition of domestic animals, including causes of infectious animal diseases, by establishing a workable investigation, surveillance, reporting and appraisal system for animal diseases. This includes uniform collation of data and information on disease occurrences as provided under Act 3639 and Executive Order No. 338.

In line with this mandate, the AHWD Veterinary Epidemiology Section (VES), is hereby designated as the ADMINISTRATOR of the Philippine Animal Health Information System (Phil-AHIS), which was launched by BAI in 2010 to modernize and systematize the procedure and protocol of data gathering, linkages, and submission of animal disease reports using Information Technology.

Relative to this designation, the AHWD VES is responsible for the following:

- 1. Assess the technical specifications and components of the Phil-AHIS, vis-à-vis the mandates and priorities of the AHWD, and submit findings, recommendations, and three-year action plans to the BAI Director within 14 working days from effectivity of this Order;
- 2. Develop a proposal for the upgrading of the Phil-AHIS into a comprehensive and integrated platform for disease reporting, monitoring, and surveillance;
- 3. Oversee the collection, validation, and maintenance of animal health data;
- 4. Collaborate with relevant offices, agencies and stakeholders to ensure the integration of various animal health information sources;
- 5. Generate regular reports and analyses to inform policy decisions and enhance animal health strategies;
- 6. Facilitate training and workshops for staff and stakeholders on the utilization of Phil-AHIS;
- 7. Regularly assess and update the system to incorporate advancements in technology and changes in animal health priorities, and

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8. Provide necessary budget for the implementation and operation of Phil-AHIS.

The BAI – ICTU is directed to extend their full support and assistance to the AHWD in this undertaking.

This **ORDER** shall take effect **IMMEDIATELY** and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All other orders, memoranda. and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this <u>13<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>FEBRUAR</u> 2025

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