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NSCB ACTION NOTIFICATION FORM

Ref. No. PPI-052112-47

18 May 2012

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Department of Labor and Employment
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Dear **Director Peralta:**

This refers to your request for the renewal of clearance of the *Occupational Wages Survey (OWS)*. We acknowledge with thanks the following documents received from your office and which were used as basis for our evaluation.

<u>NSCB Ref. No.</u>	<u>Title of Document</u>	<u>Format Received</u>	<u>Date Received</u>
SSRCS-2012-04-201	Agency transmittal letter dated March 30, 2012	hard copy	March 30, 2012
SSRCS-2012-04-202	SSRCS Form 1. Statistical Survey Notification Form	hard copy	March 30, 2012
SSRCS-2012-04-203	2012 OWS Questionnaire	hard copy	March 30, 2012
SSRCS-2012-04-204	SSRCS Form 4. Statistical Survey Monitoring Form dated April 17, 2012	hard copy	April 20, 2012
SSRCS-2012-04-205	Reply of BLES to NSCB Technical Staff's Initial Remarks/Comments	hard copy	May 16, 2012

Please find in the second page the clearance numbers assigned to the survey instruments. The approval number and expiration date should be printed or stamped on the upper right corner of the first pages of the final questionnaires.

We have included under Remarks the comments/suggestions made by the NSCB Technical Staff on the survey for your consideration. We will appreciate receiving feedback on these comments.

Thank you for your cooperation and support in our endeavour to improve the quality of surveys conducted by government agencies.

Very truly yours,

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Secretary General

Title of statistical survey

2012 OCCUPATIONAL WAGES SURVEY

Proponent agency

Bureau of Labor and Employment Statistics

Conducting agency

Bureau of Labor and Employment Statistics

1 **CLEARANCE GRANTED**, subject to the following final action:

i) All information enclosed in the box/es below must be printed or stamped on the upper right corner of the first page of the statistical survey form.

Questionnaire Title: *2012 Occupational Wages Survey*

NSCB Approval No. BLES- 1211-01

Expires June 30, 2013

ii) Submit a copy of the printed forms/questionnaires with the clearance number to the Programs, Policies and Standards Office, NSCB.

iii) Others. (Specify)

- Please furnish the NSCB copies of the final documents for the Questionnaire and Field Interviewer's Manual as well as survey results.
- The survey design and instrument shall be subject to review should there be any changes made prior to the expiration of the clearance granted. Furthermore, in line with the thrust of the Technical Committee on Survey Design to review total survey error, said survey may be reviewed by the Committee anytime. In view of this, there may be recommended revisions even before the clearance has expired.

2 **DISAPPROVED**, for the following reasons:

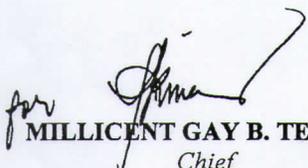
3 **REMARKS**

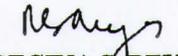
The following are the comments/suggestions of the NSCB Technical Staff on the survey:

1. Per clarification with BLES staff and in the reply of BLES to the initial comments of the NSCB-TS, **agriculture, forestry and fishery (AFF) establishments** will be covered in the 2012 OWS. However, it was noted in Item 12.c (Sampling unit) of the SSRCS Form 1 that only non-agricultural establishments employing 20 and over are covered in the survey. Hence, it is suggested that the particular item in the SSRCS Form 1 be revised to indicate the inclusion of AFF in the sample coverage.
2. On the questionnaire, we would like to reiterate our suggestion that in addition to Item B.1 (Basic pay) and Item B.2 (Allowances), an item on **total payment to employees/workers during emergency conditions** be also included. Information generated from this additional data item will aid in the compilation of more comprehensive statistics on social protection, particularly in labor market concerns, which is one of the emerging concerns in the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) for 2011-2016 and the Philippine Statistical Development Program (PSDP) 2011-2017.
3. To maximize the use of collected survey data particularly data items which have male and female disaggregation, we would like to reiterate our previous comment in the 2010 OWS to generate sex-disaggregated tables for the following: **(a) percent distribution of time-rate workers by industry; (b) percent distribution of time-rate workers by occupation; and (c) percent distribution of time-rate workers by region.**
4. We understand that the **technical notes** for the OWS is in the Field Operations Manual (FOM), which is published in the BLES Electronic Archived Microdata System (BEAMS). Likewise, we noted that survey results of the OWS are being published in the LABSTAT Updates. Hence, we suggest that a link to the FOM be included in the LABSTAT Updates articles, which discuss the results of OWS, to allow users to directly access the survey's technical notes.

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RECOMMENDING OFFICIAL


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