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**Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System Regulatory
Office (MWSS RO) GAD Kapihan for 2023**

1. This is in reference to the letter of invitation from **Atty. Claudine B. Orocio-Isorena**, Chairperson, Gender and Development Committee, informing the field about the above-captioned activity which will be held on March 31, 2023, 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.
2. Attached is the copy of the invitation letter pertinent t relative to the conduct of the said activity.
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ATTENTION: JENILYN ROSE B. CORPUZ
Superintendent

Dear **Regional Director Cabral:**

Greetings!

The Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System Regulatory Office (MWSS RO) is the government agency created in August 1997 by virtue of the Concession Agreements signed between the MWSS and the two Concessionaires: Manila Water Company, Inc. (Manila Water) for the East Zone and Maynilad Water Services, Inc. (Maynilad) for the West Zone.

The MWSS RO is mandated to monitor the performance of the Concessionaires with respect to their contractual obligations under the Revised Concession Agreements (RCAs). Among its functions, the MWSS RO reviews, monitors, and enforces rates and service standards; arranges and reports regular independent audits of the performance of the Concessionaires; and monitors the infrastructure assets. The MWSS RO's functions may change over time for effective regulation of water and sewerage services.

This year, the MWSS RO joins the nation in celebrating the National Women's Month with the theme **"WE for gender equality and inclusive society"**, which will run from **01 to 31 March 2023**. One of the scheduled activities is the Gender and Development (GAD) Kapihan. The first MWSS RO GAD Kapihan was successfully held in July 2022, which focused on the consultation and sharing of best practices in mainstreaming GAD and resulted to a concerted decision to regularly conduct the said activity to continue the discourse on learned experiences of various sectors and/or institutions.

In view thereof, the first GAD Kapihan for 2023 with the theme, **"Exploring Synergies towards Availability and Sustainable Management of Water and Sanitation for All to achieve Gender Equality and Women Empowerment"** seeks to explore the synergies between and among different national government agencies, institutions, and other



stakeholders in order to support, embody, and achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) number 5 (Gender Equality) and 6 (Clean water and sanitation for all).

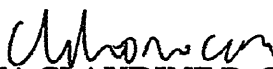
In line with this, we are pleased to invite you or your representative/s (**not more than 3 representatives**) to participate in the **plenary discussions** during the GAD Kapihan on **31 March 2023, Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** We shall inform you of the venue as soon as it is finalized. Please see the **Concept Note** with the **program** attached as Annex "A". May we also request for a **short presentation (5-10 minutes)** based on the discussion guide also seen on Annex "A".

Kindly confirm your or your representative/s' participation on or before **24 March 2023** through Jezreel H. Pucio at 09282428121 or jezreelpucio@gmail.com / gad@ro.mwss.gov.ph.

Should you have further clarifications or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach us through the above information.

Your favorable response and participation will be highly appreciated. Thank you.

Very truly yours,


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Chairperson, Gender and Development Committee