



18 February 2022

Dr. Edgardo E. Tulin
President
Visayas State University
Visca, Baybay City, Leyte

Thru: Dr. Maria Juliet C. Ceniza
Vice President for Research,
Extension & Innovation

Dear **Dr. Tulin**:

Due to my compulsory retirement effective 24 February 2022, I would like to recommend the appointment of **Engr. Nilo L. Leorna** as the **new Project Leader** of the on-going project entitled: *"Bioenergy Generation from Agricultural Wastes, Seaweeds, Aquatic Weeds, Algae, Cellulosic Materials, and Plant Oils for Climate Change Mitigation and Food Security"* without honorarium effective January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022 chargeable to project code: **CC19.RE.04.1718** unless sooner terminated due to lack of funds.

As a Project Leader, he is expected to perform and implement the following responsibilities and project activities for this year with appropriate workload unit equivalent:

1. **Provide** leadership in the implementation of the project activities this year with focus on the study on the *"Technical Evaluation of Using Chicken Fat-based Biodiesel as Environment-friendly Fuel for Pressure-type Cooking Stoves and Small Diesel Engines for Agri-Aqua applications"*;
2. **Produce** sufficient amount of biodiesel from chicken fat under laboratory conditions;
3. **Evaluate** the technical performance of using biodiesel from chicken fat as alternative environment-friendly fuel for pressure-type cooking stoves and small diesel engines for agri-aqua applications;
4. **Initiate** linkages with potential users of the technology for agri-industrial applications; and
5. **Submit** regularly quarterly and annual accomplishment reports to OVPREI.

Any changes in the title, methodology, project site, and/or budget, the approval should first be sought from the University President upon recommendation by the Project Leader, RERC Center Director, and the Vice-President for Research, Extension, and Innovation (VPREI).

Very truly yours,

ROBERTO C. GUARTE
Project Leader

Conforme:

Certified funds available:

NILO L. LEORNA
Engineer II, CET-TVET

ALICIA M. FLORES
Head, Budget Office

Endorsed by:

ROSA OPHELIA C. VELARDE
Director for Research

Recommending Approval

MARIA JULIET C. CENIZA
Vice President for Research, Extension
and Innovation

cc: OVPREI-VP
 OVPREI-RPO
 Head, Budget Office
 Director, RERC
 Researcher – Engr. NLLeorna
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