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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 2010 – 140

December 7, 2010

TO : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL
MAYORS, DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND OTHERS
CONCERNED

SUBJECT : MERCURY REDUCTION PROGRAM FOR HEALTHCARE
FACILITIES

provided for the Gradual Phase-Out of Mercury in all Philippine Health Care Facilities and
Institutions.

The said Administrative Order sought to stop the procurement of mercury-containing fever
thermometers and blood pressures apparatuses by healthcare administrators and to shift to the use
of digital thermometers and aneroid and/or digital blood pressure apparatuses, to reduce the threat
of mercury to human health and the environment.

In this connection, and upon the request of Secretary Enrique T. Ona, DOH, all local chief
executives are hereby enjoined to ensure compliance to the said Administrative Order.

For other details, inquiries may be directed to Dr. Loy V. Teoxon, National Center for
Health Facility Development, DOH, through Telephone Nos. (02)-7428087 and 74208090.

All DILG Regional Directors are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this
issuance to all local authorities within their jurisdictions.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

JESSE M. ROBREDO
Secretary

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