National Organic Agriculture Board Resolution No. <u>009</u> Series of 2012

APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE GUIDELINES ON THE ACCREDITATION OF PRIVATE ORGANIC AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE PROVIDERS (OA ESPS)

WHEREAS, Rule 9.2 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10068 provides that the ATI shall immediately adopt existing guidelines for the accreditation of the relevant extension service providers (ESPs) on organic agriculture, provided such ESPs have juridical status and have been duly registered with appropriate regulatory bodies, as sole proprietors, cooperatives, associations and corporations, and the funding thereof will be sourced from the DA and other government agencies;

WHEREAS, Rule 9.3 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10068 provides that only accredited extension service providers shall be tapped by the government for related group capacity building and on organic farming technologies training without prejudice to non-accredited organizations who have been conducting training prior to the passage of this Act;

WHEREAS, Rule 9.4 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10068 provides that the ATI shall continuously undertake appraisal and evaluation of the capability and competence of accredited extension service providers;

WHEREAS, Rule 9.5 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10068 provides that the ATI shall encourage, support and provide continuous lifelong learning of all organic technologies and practices;

WHEREAS, ATI has formulated the GUIDELINES ON THE ACCREDITATION OF PRIVATE ORGANIC AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE PROVIDERS (OA ESPS) and has submitted the sae to the Board for approval;

WHEREAS, the Board after deliberation and review, has found the proposed guidelines appropriate;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board hereby RESOLVES to approve and adopt the GUIDELINES ON THE ACCREDITATION OF PRIVATE ORGANIC AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE PROVIDERS (OA ESPS).

RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish the office of Secretary Proceso J. Alcala with a copy of this resolution.

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APPROVED and **SIGNED** by the following members of the Board on the following dates by referendum.

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