EXPERT'S PROFILE

Name of Grantee : DR. CATALINO A. BLANCHE

Area of Expertise : Forestry (Tree Physiology, Crop Ecology)

Inclusive Date of Contract as

BSP Awardee

October 24- November 9, 2010 (Phase 1)

January 12 – February 6, 2010 (Phase 2) Short-Term Program on a non-continuous basis

(Subsequent Visit)

Host Institution : Mariano Marcos State University and

University of the Philippines-Los Baños, Laguna

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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

 Ph.D. in Forestry (Major- Tree Physiology; Minor-Crop Ecology; Collateral Field-Computer Science), Mississippi State University

• M.S. Forest Resources (Major-Ecology; Minor-Statistics), University of Georgia

 M.S. Agriculture (Major-Plant Physiology; Minor-Biochemistry), University of the Philippines at Los Banos

 B.S. Forestry (Major- Forest Utilization Engineering), University of the Philippines at Los Banos (Class Valedictorian)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Annual

July 1999 – present
National Program Leader

USDA CSREES Natural Resources and Environment

Washington, D.C., USA

February 2002 - World Bank Agroforestry Specialist

Member of a Mission that Evaluated World Bank Funded projects in

Indonesia

1995- 1999 - Research Scientist and Program Leader

Agroforestry Program, Dale Bumpers Small Farms Research Center

USDA Agricultural Research Service, Booneville, AR

• 1992-1995 - **Associate Director**

Urban Forestry Program, College of Agriculture and Home Economics

Southern University,, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

• 1994-1995 **- Consultant**

Reich Associate, Development of the Urban Forest Management Plan

for East Baton Rouge Parish

To be accomplished as BSP Awardee:

- 1. Strengthen the commitment towards energy self-sufficiency;
- 2. Come-up with strategic plan for Laguna Lake restoration using a single tributary and start a pilot project in selected area;
- 3. Help in the installation and evaluation of MMSU biogas system; and
- 4. Assist in the design and installation of solar panel.

