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ABSTRACT

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This aimed to know the performance of Water Districts in Cavite; determine the characteristics of selected Water Districts; identify the sources of water; describe how the water is distributed from the source to the consumers; determine the profitability of Water Districts; determine the efficiency of Water Districts; describe the current plans, programs, projects and policies of Water Districts to enhance efficient water supply to the consuming public; and identify the problems encountered in the operation as well as its effect on water utility services and the means to solve the problems.

The study was conducted at Dasmariñas Water District, Dasmariñas, Cavite, Indang Water District, Indang, Cavite, Mendez Water District, Mendez, Cavite, Silang Water District, Silang, Cavite, Tagaytay City Water District, Tagaytay City and Trece Martires City Water District, Trece Martires City.

Descriptive method was used in the analysis of the data. Financial analysis was used in order to determine the efficiency and profitability of Water Districts. The profitability and efficiency ratios were computed based on the financial statements sourced from the selected Water Districts in Cavite.

The establishment of water Districts in Cavite was part of the development strategy of the local administration in order to respond to the demands for clean, safe, potable and affordable water.

For these reasons, the government should continue to encourage and support the Water District to enhance efficient water supply to the consuming public.

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INTRODUCTION

The Philippines is one of the countries that are fortunate when it comes to having abundant quality water. In spite of this, easily accessible water is far from the daily life situation for a lot of Filipinos. With an increasing population every year, access to water will be even harder in the years to come (Yu, 2002).

Water is a human basic need. It is a human right to have access to clean water. But even today around the world, this basic human right is violated. Water is a necessity, but clean water is not adequately supplied. Places differ with regard to water quality and quantity. Some places are well endowed while others have severe problems with locating water sources (Sharma, 2002).

Demand pressure on water resources from agriculture, household use, and industry has increased dramatically in the past decades. Competition for limited water supplies between individual users, between sectors of water use and even between