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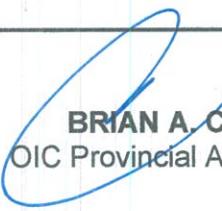
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ERC CASE NO. 2023-003 CF

**BENGUET ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE (BENECO)**
Applicant.

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Promulgated:
April 18, 2023

ORDER

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and other legal processes, represented in this instance by virtue of BENECO Board Resolution No. 2023-039, hereto attached as Annex "A" to form an integral part hereof, by its Acting General Manager Engr. Ramel B. Rifani, the Applicant's legally authorized representative, who holds office at the same address;

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Finding the said *Application* to be sufficient in form and with the required fees having been paid, the Commission hereby sets the same for determination of compliance with the jurisdictional requirements, expository presentation, Pre-Trial Conference, and presentation of evidence on the following dates and online platforms for the conduct thereof, pursuant to Resolution No. 09, Series of 2020¹ and Resolution No. 01, Series of 2021² (ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure):

| Date | Platform | Activity |
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| 01 June 2023 (Thursday) at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 P.M.) | Microsoft Teams or Zoom Application | Determination of compliance with jurisdictional requirements and expository presentation |
| 08 June 2023 (Thursday) at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 P.M.) | | Pre-Trial Conference and Presentation of Evidence |

RELATIVE THERETO, BENECO is hereby directed to:

- 1) Cause the publication of the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing* once (1x) in a newspaper of nationwide circulation in the Philippines at its own expense, at least ten (10) days before the date of the scheduled initial hearing;
- 2) Furnish with copies of this *Order* and the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing* the Offices of the Provincial Governor, the City and Municipal Mayors, and the Local Government Unit (LGU) legislative bodies within BENECO's franchise areas for the appropriate posting thereof on their respective bulletin boards;
- 3) Inform the consumers within BENECO's franchise areas, by any other means available and appropriate, of the filing of the *Application*, its reasons therefor, and of the scheduled virtual hearings thereon;
- 4) Furnish with copies of this *Order* and the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing* the Office of the Solicitor General

¹ A Resolution Adopting the Guidelines Governing Electronic Applications, Filings and Virtual Hearings Before the Energy Regulatory Commission.

² A Resolution Adopting the Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Energy Regulatory Commission.

(OSG), the Commission on Audit (COA), and the Committees on Energy of both Houses of Congress. They are hereby requested, if they so desire, to send their duly authorized representatives and attend the scheduled hearings; and

- 5) Furnish with copies of the *Application* and its attachments, except those subject of a motion for confidential treatment of information, all those making requests therefor, subject to reimbursement of reasonable photocopying costs.

Within five (5) calendar days prior to the date of the virtual hearings, BENECO must submit to the Commission via electronic mail (e-mail) at docket@erc.ph, and copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, the scanned copies of its written compliance with the aforementioned jurisdictional requirements, attaching the following methodically arranged and duly marked documents:

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- 6) Such other proofs of compliance with the requirements of the Commission.

Moreover, BENECO is hereby required to post on its bulletin boards, the scanned copies of the foregoing jurisdictional requirements, together with the newspaper publication and certifications issued by the concerned Offices of the Governor, Mayors and Local Legislative Bodies, and to submit proof of posting thereof.

Applicant BENECO and all interested parties are also required to submit via e-mail at docket@erc.ph, and copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, **at least five (5) calendar days** before the date of the scheduled virtual hearing and Pre-trial Conference, their respective Pre-Trial Briefs containing, among others:

- 1) A summary of admitted facts and proposed stipulation of facts;
- 2) The issues to be tried or resolved;
- 3) The documents or exhibits to be presented, stating the purposes and proposed markings therefor, which should also be attached to the Pre-trial Brief; and
- 4) The number and names of the witnesses, with their written testimonies in a Judicial Affidavit form attached to the Pre-trial Brief.

Applicant BENECO must ensure that all the documents or exhibits proposed to be presented have already been duly submitted to the Commission **at least five (5) calendar days** before the date of the scheduled initial virtual hearing and Pre-trial Conference, pursuant to the preceding paragraph.

Failure of BENECO to comply with the above requirements within the prescribed period shall be a ground for cancellation of the scheduled hearing, and the resetting of which shall be six (6) months from the said date of cancellation.

Applicant BENECO must also be prepared to make an expository presentation of the instant *Application*, aided by whatever communication medium that it may deem appropriate for the purpose, in order to put in plain words and explain, for the benefit of the

consumers and other concerned parties, the nature of the *Application*. Relevant information and pertinent details substantiating the reasons and justifications for the *Application* must be cited in support thereof.

Applicant BENECO is hereby directed to file a copy of its Expository Presentation via e-mail at docket@erc.ph, and copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the scheduled virtual hearing. BENECO shall also be required, upon the request of any stakeholder, to provide an advance copy of its expository presentation, **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the scheduled virtual hearing.

Applicant BENECO is further directed to submit, through personal service, registered mail or ordinary mail/private courier, one (1) set of the original or certified true hard copies of its Jurisdictional Compliance, Expository Presentation, Pre-trial Brief, and Judicial Affidavits of witnesses, **within five (5) working days** from the date that the same were electronically submitted, as reflected in the acknowledgment receipt e-mail sent by the Commission.

Finally, BENECO, including its authorized representatives and witnesses, are hereby directed to provide the Commission, thru legal.virtualhearings@erc.ph, their respective e-mail addresses upon receipt of this *Order*. The Commission will send the access link/s to the aforementioned hearing platform **within five (5) working days** prior to the scheduled hearing.

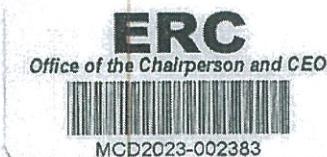
SO ORDERED.

Pasig City, 18 April 2023.

FOR AND BY AUTHORITY
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| TRANSMISSION RATE (TR) | | | |
| | 1,154,455,264.75 | 1,166,306,413.24 | (11,851,148.49) |
| SYSTEM LOSS RATE (SLR) | | | |
| - Main | 681,186,567.25 | 652,279,159.56 | 28,907,407.69 |
| - Sale for Resale- LUELCO | 40,955.03 | 41,794.59 | (839.56) |
| LIFELINE SUBSIDY | 83,791,147.26 | 91,525,511.60 | (7,734,364.34) |
| SENIOR CITIZEN SUBSIDY | 719,258.89 | 768,321.51 | (49,062.62) |
| NET RESULTS | | | 74,342,584.85 |

2. Its submission of the data corresponding to the required submission of the Monthly URR Addendum as well as Monthly Reports required under ERC Resolution No. 10, Series of 2018 only in the instant application be duly considered in the resolution of the application and that applicant be allowed recovery of system loss as applicable.

Other reliefs just and equitable are likewise prayed for.

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The Commission sets the instant *Application* for determination of compliance with the jurisdictional requirements, expository presentation, Pre-trial Conference, and presentation of evidence on the following dates and online platforms for the conduct thereof, pursuant to Resolution No. 09, Series of 2020¹ and Resolution No. 01, Series of 2021² (ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure):

| Date | Platform | Activity |
|---|--|--|
| 01 June 2023 (Thursday) at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 P.M.) | Microsoft Teams or Zoom Application | Determination of compliance with jurisdictional requirements and expository presentation |
| 08 June 2023 (Thursday) at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 P.M) | | Pre-Trial Conference and Presentation of Evidence |

Any interested stakeholder may submit its comments and/or clarifications **at least one (1) calendar day** prior to the scheduled initial virtual hearing, via electronic mail (e-mail) at docket@erc.ph, and copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph. The Commission shall give priority to the stakeholders who have duly submitted their respective comments and/or clarifications, to discuss the same and propound questions during the course of the expository presentation.

Moreover, any persons who have an interest in the subject matter of the instant case may become a party by filing with the Commission via e-mail at docket@erc.ph, and copy furnishing the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, a verified Petition to Intervene **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the date of the initial virtual hearing. The verified Petition to Intervene must follow the requirements under Rule 9 of the ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure, indicate therein the docket number and title of the case, and state the following:

- 1) The petitioner's name, mailing address, and e-mail address;
- 2) The nature of petitioner's interest in the subject matter of the proceeding and the way and manner in which such interest is affected by the issues involved in the proceeding; and

¹ A Resolution Adopting the Guidelines Governing Electronic Applications, Filings and Virtual Hearings Before the Energy Regulatory Commission.

² A Resolution Adopting the Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Energy Regulatory Commission.

3) A statement of the relief desired.

Likewise, all other persons who may want their views known to the Commission with respect to the subject matter of the case may file through e-mail at docket@erc.ph, and copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, their Opposition or Comment thereon **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the initial virtual hearing. Rule 9 of the ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure shall govern. No particular form of Opposition or Comment is required, but the document, letter, or writing should contain the following:

- 1) The name, mailing address, and e-mail address of such person;
- 2) A concise statement of the Opposition or Comment; and
- 3) The grounds relied upon.

All interested parties filing their Petition to Intervene, Opposition or Comment are required to submit the hard copies thereof through personal service, registered mail or ordinary mail/private courier, **within five (5) working days** from the date that the same were electronically submitted, as reflected in the acknowledgment receipt e-mail sent by the Commission.

Any of the persons mentioned in the preceding paragraphs may access the copy of the *Application* on the Commission's official website at www.erc.gov.ph.

Finally, all interested persons may be allowed to join the scheduled initial virtual hearings by providing the Commission, thru legal.virtualhearings@erc.ph, their respective e-mail addresses and indicating therein the case number of the instant *Application*. The Commission will send the access link/s to the aforementioned hearing platform within five (5) working days prior to the scheduled hearings.

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WITNESS, the Honorable Commissioners ALEXIS M. LUMBATAN, CATHERINE P. MACEDA, FLORESINDA G. BALDO-DIGAL, and MARKO ROMEO L. FUENTES, Energy Regulatory Commission, this 18th day of April 2023 in Pasig City.

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