CIRCULAR NO. <u>1155</u> Series of 2022

Subject:

Amendments to the Alternative Compliance with the Reserve Requirements of Banks and Non-Bank Financial Institutions with Quasi-Banking Functions

(NBQBS)

The Monetary Board, in its Resolution No.1378 dated 16 September 2022, approved the following amendments to the Manual of Regulations for Banks (MORB) and the Manual of Regulations for Non-Bank Financial institutions (MORNBFI) on the allowable modes of alternative compliance with the reserve requirements.

Section 1. Section 252/212-Q of the MORB/MORNBFI is hereby amended to read, as follows:

252/212-Q COMPOSITION OF RESERVES

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Allowable modes of alternative compliance. The following alternative modes of compliance with the required reserves against deposit and deposit substitute liabilities shall be allowed:

a. Peso-denominated loans that are granted to micro-, small-, and medium enterprises (MSMEs), as defined under Sec. 332 (Definition of Terms), excluding banks and NBQBs that meet the definition of a small- and medium-enterprise, subject to the following conditions:

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The use of MSME loans as allowable alternative compliance with the reserve requirement shall be available to banks/NBQBs from 24 April 2020 to 30 June 2023.

b. Peso-denominated loans that are granted to large enterprises, excluding banks and NBQBs that meet the definition of a large enterprise, subject to the following conditions:

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The use of loans to a large enterprise as allowable alternative compliance with the reserve requirements shall be available to banks/NBQBs from 29 May 2020 to 30 June 2023.

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Section 2. This Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) calendar days following its publication either in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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