



## INTER-AGENCY ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (IAEECC)

### RESOLUTION NO. 8, s. 2023

**ENCOURAGING ALL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES (GES) TO INSTALL AND UTILIZE SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) SYSTEM OR ANY EQUIVALENT RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGY IN THEIR GOVERNMENT-OWNED FACILITIES AND/OR OFFICE BUILDINGS IN A FORM OF SELF-GENERATING FACILITY, DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES (DER), OR NET METERING AGREEMENT WITH HOST DISTRIBUTION UTILITY (DU)**

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act (RA) No. 11285 or the Energy Efficiency and Conservation (EEC) Act, institutionalizes energy efficiency and conservation as a national way of life, enhances the efficient use of energy, and grants incentives to energy efficiency and conservation programs and projects;

**WHEREAS**, Section 5 of the EEC Act states that the Department of Energy (DOE) shall take the lead in the implementation of the law, and shall be responsible for the planning, formulation, development, implementation, enforcement, and monitoring of energy management policies and other related energy efficiency and conservation plans and programs;

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.b of the EEC Act declares that it is the policy of the State to promote and encourage the development and utilization of efficient renewable energy technologies and systems to ensure the optimal use and sustainability of the country's energy resources;

**WHEREAS**, RA No. 9513 or the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 affirms the policy of the state to accelerate the exploration and development of renewable energy to achieve energy self-reliance, through the adoption of sustainable energy development strategies to reduce the country's dependence on fossil fuels, and thereby minimize the country's exposure to price fluctuations in the international markets, which affect almost all sectors of the economy;

**WHEREAS**, the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 introduced the Net-metering for Renewable Energy (RE) Program to encourage electricity end-users to participate in the generation of electricity from RE sources to meet their monthly electricity requirements, and at the same time, promote the efficient and cost-effective applications of RE in the country;

**WHEREAS**, the Net-metering Program as defined under the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 refers to a system, appropriate for distributed generation, in which a distribution grid user has a two-way connection to the grid and is only charged for its net electricity consumption and is credited for any overall contribution to the electricity grid;

**WHEREAS**, DOE Department Circular No. DC2019-10-0013 or the Omnibus Guidelines Governing the Award and Administration of RE Contracts and the Registration of RE Developers outlines the checklist of requirements for the registration of RE project for own-use and/or non-commercial operation;

**WHEREAS**, the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) Resolution No. 11, s. 2022 provided for the rules governing the utilization of Distributed Energy Resources (DER);

**WHEREAS**, Section 4 of the IAEECC Resolution No. 5, s. 2022 or the Government Energy Management Program (GEMP) Guidelines requires that all government entities (GEs) shall formulate, prepare and update annually their agency's EEC Program that is focused on energy conservation measures, target energy efficiency cost reductions and other EEC strategies that are geared towards the efficient utilization of every available resources, and promote the development and utilization of new and alternative energy efficient technologies such as RE technologies;

**WHEREAS**, Section 13 of the GEMP Guidelines encourages all government entities to reduce their electricity consumption by at least ten percent (10%); and

**WHEREAS**, Section 4 of DOE Department Order No. DO2020-01-0001 provides that the IAEECC shall act as a collegial body, and approval of its actions may be made by a simple majority.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the members of the IAEECC:

**RESOLVED**, that as part of the compliance with the GEMP, the GEs are encouraged to have an assessment on the installation and utilization of a Solar PV System or any RE equivalent technology in their government-owned facilities and/or office buildings within three (3) years after the approval of this Resolution: **Provided, That**, the Solar PV System or any equivalent RE technology to be installed shall initially supply at least twenty percent (20%) of the GE's electricity requirement based on the highest monthly kilowatt-hour (kWh) billing demand of the previous year;

**RESOLVED**, that the GE that shall install a Solar PV System or any equivalent RE technology with a capacity not exceeding one hundred kilowatts (100 kW) in their government-owned facilities and/or office buildings shall be allowed to be a Qualified End-User (QE) and may enter into a Net-metering agreement with its Distribution Utility (DU): **Provided, That**, GEs and DUs who enter into a net-metering agreement must abide with the DOE policies and ERC resolutions and other related issuances, rules, and regulations on net-metering;

**RESOLVED**, that pursuant to ERC Resolution No. 16, s. 2014, any GE that shall be allowed to be a QE that installs an on-site RE-generating facility, such as a photovoltaic system, and enters into a net-metering agreement with its DU shall secure a Certificate of Compliance (COC) for such RE-generating facility: **Provided, That**, on behalf of the QE, the concerned DU shall submit to the ERC all documentary requirements relative to the QE's COC application;

**RESOLVED**, that any GE that shall install a Solar PV System or any equivalent RE technology with a capacity of above 100 kW for its own-use and will not export energy to the distribution system shall secure a COC from the ERC, as provided under ERC Resolution No. 11, s. 2022, and a Certificate of Registration from the DOE for own-use and/or non-commercial purposes;

**RESOLVED**, that the DOE-Energy Utilization Management Bureau (EUMB) shall provide the official list of Solar PV installers for reference and guidance of all GEs;

**RESOLVED**, that the DOE-EUMB shall assist any GE that intends to install a Solar PV System in its office buildings and/or facilities relative to the technical requirements necessary in the installation of the said Solar PV System (e.g., estimation of Solar PV capacity based on GE's demand, suitable location for Solar PV System and components, etc.);

**RESOLVED**, that the DOE shall issue a corresponding issuance to all DUs to provide a special lane for net metering applications of all GEs relative to their installation of Solar PV or any equivalent RE technology in their offices/buildings/facilities;

**RESOLVED**, that the DOE, in collaboration with Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) shall assist any GE in evaluating the structural integrity of its office buildings and/or facilities for the installation of the said Solar PV System;


**RESOLVED**, that any EEC Project utilizing a new and alternative energy efficient technology such as a Solar PV System or any equivalent technology, which any GE may undertake, shall be legitimately considered as Government Energy Efficiency Project (GEEP): **Provided, That**, the GE shall include such GEEP into its approved Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan (EECP): **Provided, further**, That the GE shall observe and comply with the provisions set forth under the GEMP Guidelines;

**RESOLVED**, that the DOE shall monitor the adherence/compliance of those concerned to this Resolution and provide updates on the same to the IAEECC;

**RESOLVED FURTHERMORE**, that this Resolution be approved and disseminated to all GEs for adoption and implementation; and

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that this Resolution shall take effect upon publication in the Official Gazette or any newspaper of general circulation. A copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the University of the Philippines Law Center – Office of the National Administrative Register.

**ADOPTED**, in Energy Center, Rizal Drive cor. 34<sup>th</sup> St., Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, Metro Manila.

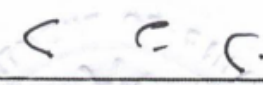
  
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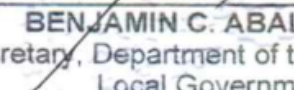
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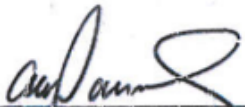


  
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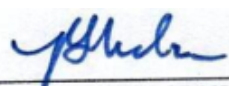
  
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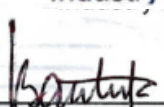
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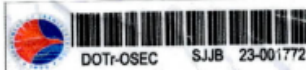


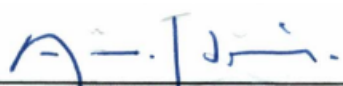
  
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