### Republic of the Philippines **ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION** San Miguel Avenue, Pasig City

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION **FOR** THE APPROVAL OF THE 16<sup>TH</sup> GENERATION RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM (16<sup>TH</sup> GRAM)

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ERC CASE NO. 2017-052 RC Breedend by:

**NATIONAL** CORPORATION, **POWER** 

Applicant.

D O C K E T E D Date: FEB 2 3 2018

#### **ORDER**

On 29 May 2017, the National Power Corporation (NPC) filed an Application dated 23 May 2017, seeking the Commission's approval of the 16th Generation Rate Adjustment Mechanism (16th GRAM).

### NPC alleged the following in its *Application*:

- 1. NPC is a government-owned and controlled corporation, created and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 6395, as amended, (the NPC Charter) with principal office address at NPC-Office Building Complex (NPC-OBC), corner Quezon Avenue and BIR Road, East Triangle, Diliman, Quezon City.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 70 of R.A. 9136, otherwise known as the Electric Power Industry Reform Act (EPIRA) of 2001, NPC through its Small Power Utilities Group (SPUG), with the same principal office address stated above, is responsible for providing power generation and its associated power delivery systems in areas that are not connected to the transmission system.
- 3. In the performance of its missionary electrification function, NPC through SPUG incurs additional operating costs as a result of the fluctuation of fuel prices used in power generation. As such, NPC is allowed to recover through the Generation Rate Adjustment Mechanism (GRAM) the cost incurred in the operation that is beyond the approved rate.
- 4. In the Order dated 24 February 2003, this Honorable Commission issued and adopted the Implementing Rules for the

Generation Rate Adjustment Mechanism (GRAM) providing for, among others, the mechanisms for the recovery/(refund) of the deferred fuel costs and purchased power costs.

- 5. This application is being filed consistent with the said GRAM Implementing Rules vis-à-vis\_Section 4(e) Rule 3 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR), as amended, of Republic Act (RA) 9136 (Electric Power Industry Reform Act or EPIRA) dated June 8, 2001.
- 6. The Application covers the billing period from July to December 2015. Applicant has fully complied with the GRAM's monthly reportorial requirements in support of the calculated allowable costs covering the billing period, as evidenced by the submitted reports/compliances duly received by this Honorable Commission and hereto attached as **Annex "A" and Series.**
- 7. Under this application, NPC through its SPUG operation, has incurred a total actual fuel costs during the afore-said test period as follows:

Table 1. Total Actual Fuel Costs, in PhP

	<b>Actual Fuel</b>	
	Costs, PhP	
LUZON	784,541,944	
VISAYAS	102,174,817	
MINDANAO	548,135,776	
<b>PHILIPPINES</b>	1,434,852,537	

8. The costs of fuel consumed without generation were not subjected to ERC - approved Heat Rate Cap as the fuel was used during start-up operations. Said costs are included in the Allowable Fuel Costs calculated together with the costs for the fuel consumed with generation that were subjected to ERC - approved Heat Rate cap for Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao. The said Allowable Fuel Costs are provided, as follows:

Table 2. Allowable Fuel Costs, in PhP

	Allowable Fuel Costs, PhP
LUZON	784,538,554
VISAYAS	101,653,777
MINDANAO	543,577,225
PHILIPPINES	1,429,769,556

9. The Applicant has accounted the corresponding fuel costs recovered through the Subsidized Approved Generation Rate (SAGR) using the breakdown in the unbundled SAGR approval by the Honorable Commission under ERC Case No. 2002-01 as follows:

Table 3. Fuel Recovery under SAGR, in PhP

	Fuel Recovery under the SAGR		
	(PhP/kWh)	Amount	
LUZON	2.0282	230,692,188	
VISAYAS	3.8942	38,144,445	
MINDANAO	3.2787	242,457,756	
PHILIPPINES		511,294,389	

10. As authorized under the Implementing Rules of the GRAM, the following carrying interest charges were utilized by the Applicant:

**Table 4. Allowable Carrying Charge Interest Rates** 

Test/Billing Mos.	Prevailing 91-day T-Bill Rate <sup>1/</sup>	Authorized Allowance <sup>2</sup> /	Allowable Rate
July	2.078	3.000	5.078
August	1.999	3.000	4.999
September	1.505	3.000	4.505
October	1,491	3.000	4.491
November	1.773	3.000	4.773
December	1.836	3.000	4.836

1/ Source: Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas

(www.bsp.gov.ph/statistics/sdds/tbillsdds.htm)

11. The table below shows the calculated deferred fuel costs and the corresponding DAA for Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao under the subject 16<sup>th</sup> GRAM Application covering the test period July to December 2015 and the corresponding proposed rates in P/kWh calculated for recovery for a period of two (2) years:

Table 5. Sixteenth (16th) GRAM DAA Summary

	LUZON	VISAYAS	MINDANAO	PHILIPPINES
Principal	553,846,366	63,509,332	301,119,469	918,475,167
Carrying Charge	8,053,436	899,495	4,167,142	13,120,072
TOTAL, PhP	561,899,802	64,408,827	305,286,611	931,595,239
Two (2) Years Projected Energy Sales (MWh)	906,020	127,095	474,958	1,508,073
16 <sup>th</sup> GRAM DAA, PhP/kWh	0.6202	0.5068	0.6428	0.6177

<sup>2/</sup> As authorized in the GRAM Implementing Rules

- 12. The Applicant proposes to recover the above calculated DAA within two (2) years to mitigate the impact thereof to customers in the missionary areas.
- 13. In support of the proposed 16<sup>th</sup> GRAM DAA, Applicant respectfully submits the following documents annexed herewith to form part of this Application:

List of Plants

Annex "B" & series

Summary of DAA

Annex "C" & series

Summary of Net Generation, kWh

Annex "D"

91-day Treasury Bill Rates

Annex "E"

Actual Energy Sales, kWh

Annex "F" & series

Projected Energy Sales, Mwh

Annex "G"

- 14. The proposed 16<sup>th</sup> GRAM DAA Application was approved for filing by the National Power Board on 23 May 2017, a certified copy of the Secretary's Certificate is attached hereto as **Annex** "H" and made an integral part hereof.
- 15. With due respect, the proposed GRAM DAA adjustment, once approved, should be implemented or applied on top of the SAGR in both NPC-SPUG and delegated NPC-SPUG areas, or upon entry of NPPs thereof to levelize the rates in the said areas and consistent with ERC letter dated 05 March 2012 issued to NPC during the implementation of the 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> GRAM and ICERA DAA, copy of which is attached as **Annex "I" & Series** hereof.
- 16. The proposed 16<sup>th</sup> GRAM DAA is fair and reasonable as it is computed in line with the GRAM rules as approved by the Honorable Commission.

#### **PRAYER**

**WHEREFORE**, premises considered, it is most respectfully prayed that this Honorable Commission issues an Order:

1. Approving the recovery of the proposed Deferred Accounting Adjustments covering the test period from July to December 2015 for the deferred fuel costs in the amount of **PhP 931,595,239** recoverable for a period of two (2) years through the imposition of the following proposed rates in P/kWh:

LUZON	VISAYAS	MINDANAO	PHILIPPINES (Average)
0.6202	0.5068	0.6428	0.6177

- 2. Imposing/charging the GRAM directly to consumers in NPC-SPUG areas as per applicable GRAM rules, subject to the discretion of the Honorable Commission in line with ERC Resolution No. 21.
- 3. Allowing the continued collection of the GRAM adjustments even with the entry of private sector players in a specific NPC-SPUG area.
- 4. Approving the implementation of the proposed rates on top of the existing Subsidized Approved Generation Rates (SAGR) of NPC-SPUG and SAGR of Delegated NPC-SPUG areas where NPPs operate for the purpose of determining the level of subsidy.

Other just and equitable relief under the premises are likewise prayed for from the Honorable Commission.

Finding the said *Application* to be sufficient in substance with the required fees having been paid, the same is hereby set for determination of compliance with the jurisdictional requirements, expository presentation, Pre-trial Conference, and presentation of evidence on the following dates and venues:

Date and Time	Venue	Particulars
o9 May 2018 (Wednesday) at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 P.M.)	ERC Hearing Room, 15th Floor, Pacific Center Building, San Miguel Avenue, Pasig City	Jurisdictional and Expository Presentation
17 May 2018 (Thursday) at eleven o'clock in the morning (11:00 A.M.)	Energy Regulatory Commission- Visayas Field Office (ERC-VFO), St. Mary's Drive, Banilad, Cebu City	Expository Presentation
24 May 2018 (Thursday) at eleven o'clock in the morning (11:00 A.M.)	Energy Regulatory Commission- Mindanao Field Office (ERC-MFO), Mezzanine Floor, Mintrade Building, Monteverde Avenue cor. Sales Street, Davao City	Expository Presentation
31 May 2018 (Thursday) at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 P.M.)	ERC Hearing Room, 15th Floor, Pacific Center Building, San Miguel Avenue, Pasig City	Pre-Trial Conference and Evidentiary Hearing

#### Accordingly, NPC is hereby directed to:

- 1) Cause the publication of the attached Notice of Public Hearing in two (2) newspapers of nationwide circulation in the Philippines at its own expense, twice (2x) within two (2) successive weeks, the dates of publication not being less than seven (7) days apart and the date of the last publication to be made not later than ten (10) days before the date of the scheduled initial hearing;
- 2) Furnish with copies of this Order and the attached Notice of Public Hearing the Offices of the Provincial Governors, the City and Municipal Mayors, and the Local Government Unit (LGU) legislative bodies within the affected National Power Corporation-Small Power Utilities Group (NPC-SPUG) areas for the appropriate posting thereof on their respective bulletin boards;
- 3) Inform the consumers within the affected areas of the filing of the *Application*, its reasons therefor, and of the scheduled hearing thereon, by any other means available and appropriate;
- 4) Furnish with copies of this Order and the attached Notice of Public Hearing the Office of the Solicitor General (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 at the scheduled hearing; and
- 5) Furnish with copies of the *Application* and its attachments all those making requests therefor, subject to reimbursement of reasonable photocopying costs.

On the date of the initial hearing, Applicant must submit to the Commission its written compliance with the aforementioned jurisdictional requirements attaching therewith, methodically arranged and duly marked the following:

1) The evidence of publication of the attached Notice of Public Hearing consisting of affidavits of the Editors or Business Managers of the newspapers where the said Notice of Public Hearing was published, and the complete issues of the said newspapers;

- 2) The evidence of actual posting of this Order and the attached Notice of Public Hearing consisting of certifications issued to that effect, signed by the aforementioned Governors, Mayors, and LGU legislative bodies or their duly authorized representatives, bearing the seals of their offices;
- 3) The evidence of other means employed by Applicant to inform the consumers within the affected areas of the filing of the *Application*, its reasons therefore, and of the scheduled hearing thereon;
- 4) The evidence of receipt of copies of this Order and the attached Notice of Public Hearing by the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG), the Commission on Audit (COA), and the Committees on Energy of both Houses of Congress;
- 5) The evidence of receipt of copies of the *Application* and its attachments by all those making requests therefor, if any; and
- 6) Such other proofs of compliance with the requirements of the Commission.

Applicant and all interested parties are also required to submit, at least five (5) days before the date of initial 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 therefore; and

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4) The number and names of the witnesses, with their written testimonies in a Judicial Affidavit form attached to the Pretrial Brief.

Failure of Applicant 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.

NPC 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, what the *Application* is all about and the reasons and justifications being cited in support thereof.

#### SO ORDERED.

Pasig City, 14 February 2018.

FOR AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSION:

AGNES VST DEVANADERA Chairperson and CEO

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### **13. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Batanes

### **14. The Municipal Mayor** Basco, Batanes

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- **18. The Municipal Mayor** Sabtang, Batanes
- 19. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Sabtang, Batanes
- **20. The Municipal Mayor** Mahatao, Batanes
- **21. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Mahatao, Batanes
- **22. The Municipal Mayor** Ivana, Batanes
- **23.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Ivana, Batanes
- **24. The Municipal Mayor** Uyugan, Batanes
- **25. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Uyugan, Batanes
- **26. The Provincial Governor** Province of Ilocos Sur
- **27. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Ilocos Sur
- **28. The Provincial Governor** Province of Ilocos Norte
- **29. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Ilocos Norte
- **30. The Provincial Governor** Province of Cagayan
- **31. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Cagayan
- **32. The Municipal Mayor** Calayan, Cagayan
- **33. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Calayan, Cagayan

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- **36. The Municipal Mayor** Palanan, Isabela
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- **38. The Municipal Mayor** Maconacon, Isabela
- **39. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Maconaco, Isabela
- **40. The Municipal Mayor** Dinapigue, Isabela
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- **42. The Provincial Governor** Province of Nueva Viscaya
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- **48. The Provincial Governor** Province of Ifugao
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- **50. The Provincial Governor** Province of Kalinga Apayao
- **51. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Kalinga Apayao

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- **54. The Municipal Mayor** Lubuagan, Kalinga Apayao
- **55. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Lubuagan, Kalinga Apayao
- **56. The Provincial Governor** Mountain Province
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- **58. The Provincial Governor** Province of Aurora
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- **60. The Municipal Mayor** Casiguran, Aurora
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- **62. The Municipal Mayor** Dingalan, Aurora
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- **64. The Municipal Mayor** Dilasag, Aurora
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- **66. The Municipal Mayor** Dinalungan, Aurora
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- **68. The Municipal Mayor** Dipaculao, Aurora
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#### 74. The Provincial Governor

Province of Pampanga

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#### 76. The Provincial Governor

Province of Bataan

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#### 78. The Provincial Governor

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#### 80. The Provincial Governor

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#### 82. The Provincial Governor

Province of Laguna

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Province of Laguna

#### 84. The Provincial Governor

Province of Batangas

#### 85. Office of the LGU Legislative Body

**Province of Batangas** 

#### 86. The Municipal Mayor

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Tingloy, Batangas

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- **92. The Municipal Mayor** Patnanungan, Quezon
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- **94. The Municipal Mayor** Polilio, Quezon
- **95. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Polilio, Quezon
- **96. The Provincial Governor** Province of Occidental Mindoro
- **97. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Occidental Mindoro
- **98. The Municipal Mayor** Lubang, Occidental Mindoro
- 99. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Lubang, Occidental Mindoro
- 100. The Municipal Mayor Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro
- 101. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro
- 102. The Municipal Mayor Paluan, Occidental Mindoro
- 103. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Paluan, Occidental Mindoro
- **104. The Municipal Mayor**San Jose, Occidental Mindoro
- 105. Office of the LGU Legislative Body San Jose, Occidental Mindoro

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- 108. The Municipal Mayor Calintaan, Occidental Mindoro
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- 110. The Municipal Mayor Looc, Occidental Mindoro
- 111. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Looc, Occidental Mindoro
- **112. The Municipal Mayor**Magsaysay, Occidental Mindoro
- 113. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Magsaysay, Occidental Mindoro
- 114. The Municipal Mayor Rizal, Occidental Mindoro
- 115. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Rizal, Occidental Mindoro
- 116. The Municipal Mayor Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro
- 117. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro
- 118. The Municipal Mayor Sta. Cruz, Occidental Mindoro
- 119. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Sta. Cruz, Occidental Mindoro
- **120. The Provincial Governor** Province of Oriental Mindoro
- 121. Office of the LGU Legislative Body
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- **122. The City Mayor** Calapan, Oriental Mindoro
- 123. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Calapan, Oriental Mindoro

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- **127. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**San Teodoro, Oriental Mindoro
- 128. The City Mayor
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- 129. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro
- **130. The City Mayor**Naujan, Oriental Mindoro
- 131. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Naujan, Oriental Mindoro
- **132. The City Mayor**Victoria, Oriental Mindoro
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- **134. The City Mayor** Socorro, Oriental Mindoro
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- **136. The City Mayor**Pola, Oriental Mindoro
- 137. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Pola, Oriental Mindoro
- 138. The City Mayor
  Pinamalayan, Oriental Mindoro
- **139. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Pinamalayan, Oriental Mindoro
- **140. The City Mayor** Gloria, Oriental Mindoro
- 141. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Gloria, Oriental Mindoro

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- **144. The City Mayor**Bongabong, Oriental Mindoro
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- 146. The City Mayor
  Roxas, Oriental Mindoro
- 147. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Roxas, Oriental Mindoro
- 148. The City Mayor
  Mansalay, Oriental Mindoro
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- **150. The City Mayor**Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro
- **151. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro
- **152. The Provincial Governor** Province of Marinduque
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- **154. The Municipal Mayor** Boac, Marinduque
- **155. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Boac, Marinduque
- **156. The Municipal Mayor** Mogpog, Marinduque
- 157. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Mogpog, Marinduque
- **158. The Municipal Mayor** Santa Cruz, Marinduque
- **159. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Santa Cruz, Marinduque

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### **160. The Municipal Mayor** Torrijos, Marinduque

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- **162. The Municipal Mayor** Buenavista, Marinduque
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- **164. The Municipal Mayor** Gasan, Marinduque
- **165. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Gasan, Marinduque
- **166. The Provincial Governor**Province of Romblon
- 167. Office of the LGU Legislative Body
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- **168. The Municipal Mayor** Banton, Romblon
- 169. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Banton, Romblon
- 170. The Municipal Mayor Concepcion, Romblon
- 171. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Concepcion, Romblon
- **172. The Municipal Mayor** Corcuera, Romblon
- 173. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Corcuera, Romblon
- 174. The Municipal Mayor Odiongan, Romblon
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- 176. The Municipal Mayor Romblon, Romblon
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- **184. The Municipal Mayor** Calatrava, Romblon
- **185. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Calatraya, Romblon
- **186. The Municipal Mayor** Ferrol, Romblon
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- **188. The Municipal Mayor** Looc, Romblon
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- **190. The Municipal Mayor** San Agustin, Romblon
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- **192. The Municipal Mayor** San Andres, Romblon
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- 194. The Municipal Mayor Santa Fe, Romblon
- 195. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Santa Fe, Romblon

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- 197. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Sta. Maria (Imelda), Romblon
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- 199. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Magdiwang, Romblon
- **200. The Municipal Mayor** Cadidiocan, Romblon
- **201. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Cadidiocan, Romblon
- **202. The Provincial Governor** Province of Palawan
- 203. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Province of Palawan
- 204. The City Mayor Puerto Princesa, Palawan
- 205. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Puerto Princesa, Palawan
- **206. The Municipal Mayor** Agutaya, Palawan
- **207. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Agutaya, Palawan
- 208. The Municipal Mayor Araceli, Palawan
- **209.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Araceli, Palawan
- **210. The Municipal Mayor** Balabac, Palawan
- 211. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Balabac, Palawan
- **212. The Municipal Mayor** Busuanga, Palawan
- **213.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Busuanga, Palawan

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- 215. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Coron, Palawan
- **216. The Municipal Mayor** Cagayancillo, Palawan
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- **220. The Municipal Mayor** Cuyo, Palawan
- **221. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Cuyo, Palawan
- **222. The Municipal Mayor** El Nido, Palawan
- **223.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body El Nido, Palawan
- **224. The Municipal Mayor** Linapacan, Palawan
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- **226. The Municipal Mayor** Magsaysay, Palawan
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- **228. The Municipal Mayor** Narra, Palawan
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### **233. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Roxas, Palawan

### **234. The Municipal Mayor** San Vicente, Palawan

### **235.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body San Vicente, Palawan

### **236. The Municipal Mayor** Taytay, Palawan

### **237. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Taytay, Palawan

### **238. The Municipal Mayor** Aborlan, Palawan

### **239.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Aborlan, Palawan

### **240. The Municipal Mayor** Brooke's Point, Palawan

### **241. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Brooke's Point, Palawan

### **242. The Municipal Mayor** Española, Palawan

### **243.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Española, Palawan

### **244. The Municipal Mayor** Quezon, Palawan

#### 245. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Quezon, Palawan

### **246. The Municipal Mayor** Bataraza, Palawan

### **247. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Bataraza, Palawan

### **248. The Municipal Mayor** Dumaran, Palawan

### **249.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Dumaran, Palawan

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- **250. The Provincial Governor**Province of Camarines Sur
- **251. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Camarines Sur
- **252. The Municipal Mayor** Caramoan, Camarines Sur
- **253.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Caramoan, Camarines Sur
- **254. The Municipal Mayor**Garchitorena, Camarines Sur
- **255. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Garchitorena, Camarines Sur
- **256. The Municipal Mayor** Sagnay, Camarines Sur
- **257. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Sagnay, Camarines Sur
- **258. The Provincial Governor** Province of Camarines Norte
- **259. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Camarines Norte
- **260. The Provincial Governor**Province of Catanduanes
- **261. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Catanduanes
- **262. The Municipal Mayor** Bato, Catanduanes
- **263.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Bato, Catanduanes
- **264. The Municipal Mayor** Caramoran, Catanduanes
- **265. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Caramoran, Catanduanes
- **266. The Municipal Mayor** Viga, Catanduanes
- **267. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Viga, Catanduanes

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- **268. The Municipal Mayor** Pandan, Catanduanes
- **269. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Panadan, Catanduanes
- **270. The Municipal Mayor** Bagamanoc, Catanduanes
- **271. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Bagamanoc, Catanduanes
- **272. The Municipal Mayor** Panganiban (Payo), Catanduanes
- **273.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Panganiban (Payo), Catanduanes
- **274. The Municipal Mayor** Gigmoto, Catanduanes
- **275.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Gigmoto, Catanduanes
- **276. The Municipal Mayor** San Miguel, Catanduanes
- **277. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** San Miguel, Catanduanes
- **278. The Municipal Mayor** San Andres, Catanduanes
- 279. Office of the LGU Legislative Body San Andres, Catanduanes
- **280. The Municipal Mayor** Virac, Catanduanes
- **281. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Virac, Catanduanes
- **282. The Municipal Mayor** Baras, Catanduanes
- **283.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Baras, Catanduanes
- **284. The Provincial Governor**Province of Albay
- **285. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Albay

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### **286. The Municipal Mayor** Rapu-Rapu, Albay

- **287. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Rapu-Rapu, Albay
- **288. The Provincial Governor**Province of Sorsogon
- **289. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Sorsogon
- **290. The Provincial Governor** Province of Masbate
- **291. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Masbate
- **292. The City Mayor** Masbate, Masbate
- **293. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Masbate, Masbate
- **294. The Municipal Mayor** Aroroy, Masbate
- **295. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Aroroy, Masbate
- **296. The Municipal Mayor** Baleno, Masbate
- 297. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Baleno, Masbate
- **298. The Municipal Mayor** Balud, Masbate
- 299. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Balud, Masbate
- **300. The Municipal Mayor** Batuan, Masbate
- **301. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Batuan, Masbate
- **302. The Municipal Mayor** Cataingan, Masbate
- 303. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Cataingan, Masbate

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- **304. The Municipal Mayor** Cawayan, Masbate
- **305.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Cawayan, Masbate
- **306. The Municipal Mayor** Dimasalang, Masbate
- **307. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Dimasalang, Masbate
- **308. The Municipal Mayor** Esperanza, Masbate
- 309. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Esperanza, Masbate
- **310. The Municipal Mayor** Mandaon, Masbate
- 311. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Mandaon, Masbate
- **312. The Municipal Mayor** Milagros, Masbate
- 313. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Milagros, Masbate
- 314. The Municipal Mayor Mobo, Masbate
- 315. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Mobo, Masbate
- **316. The Municipal Mayor** Monreal, Masbate
- **317. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Monreal, Masbate
- **318. The Municipal Mayor** Palanas, Masbate
- **319. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Palanas, Masbate
- **320. The Municipal Mayor** Pio V. Corpuz, Masbate
- **321. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Pio V. Corpuz, Masbate

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- **322. The Municipal Mayor** Placer, Masbate
- **323. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Placer, Masbate
- **324. The Municipal Mayor** San Fernando, Masbate
- 325. Office of the LGU Legislative Body San Fernando, Masbate
- **326. The Municipal Mayor** San Jacinto, Masbate
- **327. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**San Jacinto, Masbate
- **328. The Municipal Mayor** San Pascual, Masbate
- **329. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** San Pascual, Masbate
- **330. The Municipal Mayor** Uson, Masbate
- **331. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Uson, Masbate
- **332. The Provincial Governor** Province of Aklan
- **333. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Aklan
- **334. The Provincial Governor** Province of Antique
- 335. Office of the LGU Legislative Body
  Province of Antique
- **336. The Municipal Mayor** Caluya, Antique
- **337. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Caluya, Antique
- **338. The Municipal Mayor** Culasi, Antique
- **339. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Culasi, Antique

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- **340. The Provincial Governor** Province of Capiz
- **341. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Capiz
- **342. The Provincial Governor** Province of Guimaras
- **343. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Guimaras
- **344. The Municipal Mayor** Nueva Valencia, Guimaras
- 345. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Nueva Valencia, Guimaras
- **346. The Provincial Governor** Province of Iloilo
- 347. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Province of Iloilo
- **348. The Municipal Mayor** Carles, Iloilo
- **349. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Carles, Iloilo
- **350. The Provincial Governor** Province of Bacolod
- **351. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Bacolod
- **352. The Provincial Governor**Province of Negros Occidental
- **353. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Negros Occidental
- **354. The Provincial Governor** Province of Negros Oriental
- **355. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Negros Oriental
- **356. The Provincial Governor** Province of Cebu
- **357. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Cebu

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- **358. The Municipal Mayor** Bantayan, Cebu
- **359. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Bantayan, Cebu
- **360. The Municipal Mayor** Pilar, Cebu
- **361. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Pilar, Cebu
- **362. The Municipal Mayor** Poro, Cebu
- **363. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Poro, Cebu
- **364. The Municipal Mayor** Santa Fe, Cebu
- **365. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Santa Fe, Cebu
- **366. The Provincial Governor** Province of Siquijor
- **367. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Siquijor
- 368. The Municipal Mayor Larena, Siquijor
- **369. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Larena, Siquijor
- **370. The Municipal Mayor** Lazi, Siquijor
- **371. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Lazi, Siquijor
- **372. The Municipal Mayor** Siquijor, Siquijor
- **373. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Siquijor, Siquijor
- **374. The Provincial Governor** Province of Biliran
- **375. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Biliran

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- **376. The Municipal Mayor** Maripipi, Biliran
- 377. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Maripipi, Biliran
- **378. The Provincial Governor** Province of Leyte
- **379. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Leyte
- **380. The Municipal Mayor** Limasawa, Southern Leyte
- **381. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Limasawa, Southern Leyte
- **382. The Provincial Governor** Province of Samar
- **383. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Samar
- **384. The Municipal Mayor** Almagro, Samar
- **385. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Almagro, Samar
- **386. The Municipal Mayor** Santo Niño, Samar
- **387. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Santo Niño, Samar
- **388. The Municipal Mayor** Tagapul-an, Samar
- **389. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Tagapul-an, Samar
- **390. The Municipal Mayor** Zumarraga, Samar
- **391. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Zumarraga, Samar
- **392. The Municipal Mayor** Biri, Northern Samar
- 393. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Biri, Northern Samar

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- **394. The Municipal Mayor** Capul, Northern Samar
- **395. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Capul, Northern Samar
- **396. The Municipal Mayor**San Antonio, Northern Samar
- **397. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**San Antonio, Northern Samar
- **398. The Municipal Mayor**San Vicente, Northern Samar
- **399. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**San Vicente, Northern Samar
- **400. The Provincial Governor** Province of Bohol
- **401. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Bohol
- **402. The Municipal Mayor** Baclayon, Bohol
- **403.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Baclayon, Bohol
- **404. The Municipal Mayor** Calape, Bohol
- **405. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Calape, Bohol
- **406. The Municipal Mayor** Inabanga, Bohol
- **407. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Inabanga, Bohol
- **408. The Municipal Mayor** Loon, Bohol
- **409. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Loon, Bohol
- **410. The Municipal Mayor** Panglao, Bohol
- **411. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Panglao, Bohol

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- **412. The Municipal Mayor** Tubigon, Bohol
- 413. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Tubigon, Bohol
- **414. The Provincial Governor**Province of Zamboanga del Norte
- **415. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Zamboanga del Norte
- **416. The Provincial Governor**Province of Zamboanga del Sur
- 417. Office of the LGU Legislative Body Province of Zamboanga del Sur
- **418. The City Mayor**Zamboanga City, Zamboanga del Sur
- **419. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Zamboanga City, Zamboanga del Sur
- **420. The Provincial Governor**Province of Davao Oriental
- **421. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Davao Oriental
- **422. The Provincial Governor**Province of Davao del Sur
- **423. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Davao del Sur
- **424. The Municipal Mayor**Jose Abad Santos, Davao del Sur
- **425. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Jose Abad Santos, Davao del Sur
- **426. The Municipal Mayor** Sarangani, Davao del Sur
- **427. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Sarangani, Davao del Sur
- **428. The Provincial Governor**Province of Davao del Norte
- **429. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Davao del Norte

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- **430. The City Mayor**Samal City, Davao del Norte
- **431. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Samal City, Davao del Norte
- **432. The Provincial Governor**Province of Misamis Occidental
- **433. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Misamis Occidental
- **434. The Provincial Governor**Province of Misamis Oriental
- **435. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Misamis Oriental
- **436. The Provincial Governor** Province of Bukidnon
- **437. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Bukidnon
- **438. The Provincial Governor** Province of Lanao del Norte
- **439. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Lanao del Norte
- **440. The Provincial Governor** Province of North Cotabato
- **441. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of North Cotabato
- **442. The Provincial Governor**Province of South Cotabato
- 443. Office of the LGU Legislative Body
  Province of South Cotabato
- **444. The Provincial Governor** Province of Sultan Kudarat
- **445. Office of the LGU Legislative Body**Province of Sultan Kudarat
- **446. The Municipal Mayor** Kalamansig, Sultan Kudarat
- **447. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Kalamansig, Sultan Kudarat

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### **448. The Municipal Mayor** Lebak, Sultan Kudarat

### **449. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Lebak, Sultan Kudarat

### **450. The Municipal Mayor** Palimbang, Sultan Kudarat

### **451. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Palimbang, Sultan Kudarat

### **452. The Municipal Mayor**Sen. Ninoy Aquino, Sultan Kudarat

### **453. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Sen. Ninoy Aquino, Sultan Kudarat

### **454. The Provincial Governor** Province of Basilan

### **455. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Basilan

### **456. The City Mayor** Isabela City, Basilan

### **457. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Isabela City, Basilan

### **458. The Provincial Governor**Province of Sulu

### **459. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Sulu

### **460. The Municipal Mayor** Jolo, Sulu

### **461. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Jolo, Sulu

### **462. The Municipal Mayor** Luuk, Sulu

### **463. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Luuk, Sulu

### **464. The Municipal Mayor** Siasi, Sulu

### **465. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Siasi, Sulu

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- **466. The Municipal Mayor** Bangulngi (Tongkil), Sulu
- **467. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Bangulngi (Tongkil), Sulu
- **468. The Municipal Mayor** Hadji Panglima Tahil, Sulu
- **469. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Hadji Panglima Tahil, Sulu
- **470. The Municipal Mayor** Lugus, Sulu
- **471. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Lugus, Sulu
- **472. The Municipal Mayor** Pangutaran, Sulu
- **473. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Pangutaran, Sulu
- **474. The Municipal Mayor** Pata, Sulu
- **475. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Pata, Sulu
- **476. The Municipal Mayor** Tapul, Sulu
- **477. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Tapul, Sulu
- **478. The Provincial Governor**Province of Tawi-Tawi
- **479. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Tawi-Tawi
- **480. The Municipal Mayor** Bongao, Tawi-Tawi
- **481. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Bongao, Tawi-Tawi
- **482. The Municipal Mayor** Mapun, Tawi-Tawi
- **483. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Mapun, Tawi-Tawi

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- **484. The Municipal Mayor** Panglima Sugala, Tawi-Tawi
- **485. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Panglima Sugala, Tawi-Tawi
- **486. The Municipal Mayor** Simunul, Tawi-Tawi
- **487. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Simunul, Tawi-Tawi
- **488. The Municipal Mayor** Sitangkai, Tawi-Tawi
- **489. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Sitangkai, Tawi-Tawi
- **490. The Municipal Mayor** Tandubas, Tawi-Tawi
- **491. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Tandubas, Tawi-Tawi
- **492. The Municipal Mayor** Sapa-sapa, Tawi-Tawi
- **493.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body Sapa-sapa, Tawi-Tawi
- **494. The Municipal Mayor** South Ubian, Tawi-Tawi
- **495. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** South Ubian, Tawi-Tawi
- **496. The Provincial Governor** Province of Dinagat Island
- **497. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Dinagat Island
- **498. The Municipal Mayor**San Jose, Dinagat Island
- **499.** Office of the LGU Legislative Body San Jose, Dinagat Island
- **500. The Municipal Mayor** Loreto, Dinagat Island
- **501. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Loreto, Dinagat Island

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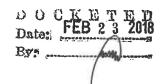
- **502. The Provincial Governor** Province of Agusan del Norte
- **503. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Agusan del Norte
- **504. The Provincial Governor** Province of Agusan del Sur
- **505. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Agusan del Sur
- **506. The Provincial Governor** Province of Surigao del Norte
- **507. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Surigao del Norte
- **508. The City Mayor** Surigao City, Surigao del Norte
- **509. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Surigao City, Surigao del Norte
- **510. The Provincial Governor** Province of Surigao del Sur
- **511. Office of the LGU Legislative Body** Province of Surigao del Sur
- 512. Regulatory Operations Service (ROS)
  Energy Regulatory Commission
  17the Floor, Pacific Center Building
  San Miguel Avenue, Ortigas Center, Pasig City

# Republic of the Philippines ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION San Miguel Avenue, Pasig City

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE 16<sup>TH</sup> GENERATION RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM (16<sup>TH</sup> GRAM)

ERC CASE NO. 2017-052 RC

NATIONAL POWER CORPORATION,
Applicant.



#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that on 29 May 2017, the National Power Corporation (NPC) filed an *Application* dated 23 May 2017, seeking the Commission's approval of the 16<sup>th</sup> Generation Rate Adjustment Mechanism (16<sup>th</sup> GRAM).

### NPC alleged the following in its *Application*:

- 1. NPC is a government-owned and controlled corporation, created and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 6395, as amended, (the NPC Charter) with principal office address at NPC-Office Building Complex (NPC-OBC), corner Quezon Avenue and BIR Road, East Triangle, Diliman, Quezon City.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 70 of R.A. 9136, otherwise known as the Electric Power Industry Reform Act (EPIRA) of 2001, NPC through its Small Power Utilities Group (SPUG), with the same principal office address stated above, is responsible for providing power generation and its associated power delivery systems in areas that are not connected to the transmission system.
- 3. In the performance of its missionary electrification function, NPC through SPUG incurs additional operating costs as a result of the fluctuation of fuel prices used in power generation. As such, NPC is allowed to recover through the Generation Rate

Adjustment Mechanism (GRAM) the cost incurred in the operation that is beyond the approved rate.

- 4. In the Order dated 24 February 2003, this Honorable Commission issued and adopted the Implementing Rules for the Generation Rate Adjustment Mechanism (GRAM) providing for, among others, the mechanisms for the recovery/(refund) of the deferred fuel costs and purchased power costs.
- 5. This application is being filed consistent with the said GRAM Implementing Rules vis-à-vis\_Section 4(e) Rule 3 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR), as amended, of Republic Act (RA) 9136 (Electric Power Industry Reform Act or EPIRA) dated June 8, 2001.
- 6. The Application covers the billing period from July to December 2015. Applicant has fully complied with the GRAM's monthly reportorial requirements in support of the calculated allowable costs covering the billing period, as evidenced by the submitted reports/compliances duly received by this Honorable Commission and hereto attached as **Annex "A" and Series.**
- 7. Under this application, NPC through its SPUG operation, has incurred a total actual fuel costs during the afore-said test period as follows:

Table 1. Total Actual Fuel Costs, in PhP

	<b>Actual Fuel</b>	
	Costs, PhP	
LUZON	784,541,944	
VISAYAS	102,174,817	
MINDANAO	548,135,776	
PHILIPPINES	1,434,852,537	

8. The costs of fuel consumed without generation were not subjected to ERC - approved Heat Rate Cap as the fuel was used during start-up operations. Said costs are included in the Allowable Fuel Costs calculated together with the costs for the fuel consumed with generation that were subjected to ERC - approved Heat Rate cap for Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao. The said Allowable Fuel Costs are provided, as follows:

Table 2. Allowable Fuel Costs, in PhP

	Allowable Fuel Costs, PhP
LUZON	784,538,554
VISAYAS	101,653,777
MINDANAO	543,577,225
PHILIPPINES	1,429,769,556

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9. The Applicant has accounted the corresponding fuel costs recovered through the Subsidized Approved Generation Rate (SAGR) using the breakdown in the unbundled SAGR approval by the Honorable Commission under ERC Case No. 2002-01 as follows:

Table 3. Fuel Recovery under SAGR, in PhP

	Fuel Recovery under the SAGR		
	(PhP/kWh)	Amount	
LUZON	2.0282	230,692,188	
VISAYAS	3.8942	38,144,445	
MINDANAO	3.2787	242,457,756	
PHILIPPINES	7	511,294,389	

10. As authorized under the Implementing Rules of the GRAM, the following carrying interest charges were utilized by the Applicant:

Table 4. Allowable Carrying Charge Interest Rates

Test/Billing Mos.	Prevailing 91-day T-Bill Rate <sup>1</sup> /	Authorized Allowance <sup>2</sup> /	Allowable Rate
July	2.078	3.000	5.078
August	1.999	3.000	4.999
September	1.505	3.000	4.505
October	1.491	3.000	4.491
November	1.773	3.000	4.773
December	1.836	3.000	4.836

1/ Source: Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas

(www.bsp.gov.ph/statistics/sdds/tbillsdds.htm)

11. The table below shows the calculated deferred fuel costs and the corresponding DAA for Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao under the subject 16<sup>th</sup> GRAM Application covering the test period July to December 2015 and the corresponding proposed rates in P/kWh calculated for recovery for a period of two (2) years:

Table 5. Sixteenth (16th) GRAM DAA Summary

	LUZON	VISAYAS	MINDANAO	PHILIPPINES
Principal	553,846,366	63,509,332	301,119,469	918,475,167
Carrying Charge	8,053,436	899,495	4,167,142	13,120,072
TOTAL, PhP	561,899,802	64,408,827	305,286,611	931,595,239
Two (2) Years Projected Energy Sales (MWh)	906,020	127,095	474,958	1,508,073
16 <sup>th</sup> GRAM DAA, PhP/kWh	0.6202	0.5068	ò.6428	0.6177

<sup>2/</sup> As authorized in the GRAM Implementing Rules

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- 12. The Applicant proposes to recover the above calculated DAA within two (2) years to mitigate the impact thereof to customers in the missionary areas.
- 13. In support of the proposed 16<sup>th</sup> GRAM DAA, Applicant respectfully submits the following documents annexed herewith to form part of this Application:

List of Plants

Annex "B" & series

Summary of DAA

Annex "C" & series

Summary of Net Generation, kWh

Annex "D"

91-day Treasury Bill Rates

Annex "E"

Actual Energy Sales, kWh

Annex "F" & series

Projected Energy Sales, Mwh

Annex "G"

- 14. The proposed 16<sup>th</sup> GRAM DAA Application was approved for filing by the National Power Board on 23 May 2017, a certified copy of the Secretary's Certificate is attached hereto as **Annex "H"** and made an integral part hereof
- 15. With due respect, the proposed GRAM DAA adjustment, once approved, should be implemented or applied on top of the SAGR in both NPC-SPUG and delegated NPC-SPUG areas, or upon entry of NPPs thereof to levelize the rates in the said areas and consistent with ERC letter dated 05 March 2012 issued to NPC during the implementation of the 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> GRAM and ICERA DAA, copy of which is attached as **Annex "I" & Series** hereof.
- 16. The proposed 16<sup>th</sup> GRAM DAA is fair and reasonable as it is computed in line with the GRAM rules as approved by the Honorable Commission.

#### **PRAYER**

WHEREFORE, premises considered, it is most respectfully prayed that this Honorable Commission issues an Order:

1. Approving the recovery of the proposed Deferred Accounting Adjustments covering the test period from July to December 2015 for the deferred fuel costs in the amount of **PhP** 931,595,239 recoverable for a period of two (2) years through the imposition of the following proposed rates in P/kWh:

LUZON	VISAYAS	MINDANAO	PHILIPPINES (Average)
0.6202	0.5068	0.6428	0.6177

2. Imposing/charging the GRAM directly to consumers in NPC-SPUG areas as per applicable GRAM rules, subject to the

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discretion of the Honorable Commission in line with ERC Resolution No. 21.

- 3. Allowing the continued collection of the GRAM adjustments even with the entry of private sector players in a specific NPC-SPUG area.
- 4. Approving the implementation of the proposed rates on top of the existing Subsidized Approved Generation Rates (SAGR) of NPC-SPUG and SAGR of Delegated NPC-SPUG areas where NPPs operate for the purpose of determining the level of subsidy.

Other just and equitable relief under the premises are likewise prayed for from the Honorable Commission.

The Commission has set the *Application* for determination of compliance with the jurisdictional requirements, expository presentation, Pre-trial Conference, and presentation of evidence on the following dates and venues:

Date and Time	Venue	Particulars
O9 May 2018 (Wednesday) at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 P.M.)	ERC Hearing Room, 15th Floor, Pacific Center Building, San Miguel Avenue, Pasig City	Jurisdictional and Expository Presentation
17 May 2018 (Thursday) at eleven o'clock in the morning (11:00 A.M.)	Energy Regulatory Commission- Visayas Field Office (ERC-VFO), St. Mary's Drive, Banilad, Cebu City	Expository Presentation
24 May 2018 (Thursday) at eleven o'clock in the morning (11:00 A.M.)	Energy Regulatory Commission- Mindanao Field Office (ERC-MFO), Mezzanine Floor, Mintrade Building, Monteverde Avenue cor. Sales Street, Davao City	Expository Presentation
31 May 2018 (Thursday) at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 P.M.)	ERC Hearing Room, 15th Floor, Pacific Center Building, San Miguel Avenue, Pasig City	Pre-Trial Conference and Evidentiary Hearing

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All persons who have an interest in the subject matter of the instant case may become a party by filing with the Commission a verified Petition to Intervene at least five (5) days prior to the initial hearing and subject to the requirements under Rule 9 of the 2006 Rules of Practice and Procedure, indicating therein the docket number and title of the case and stating the following:

- 1) The petitioner's name and 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
- 3) A statement of the relief desired.

All other persons who may want their views known to the Commission with respect to the subject matter of the case may file their Opposition or Comment thereon at any stage of the proceeding before Applicant rests its case, subject to the requirements under Rule 9 of the 2006 Rules of Practice and Procedure. No particular form of Opposition or Comment is required, but the document, letter, or writing should contain the following:

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

All such persons who wish to have a copy of the *Application* may request from Applicant that they be furnished with the same, prior to the date of the initial hearing. Applicant is hereby directed to furnish all those making such request with copies of the *Application* and its attachments, subject to the reimbursement of reasonable photocopying costs. Any such person may likewise examine the *Application* and other pertinent records filed with the Commission during the standard office hours.

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WITNESS, the Honorable Chairperson and CEO AGNES VST DEVANADERA, and the Honorable Commissioners ALFREDO J. NON, GLORIA VICTORIA C. YAP-TARUC and GERONIMO D. STA. ANA, Energy Regulatory Commission, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2018 in Pasig City.

FOR AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSION:

JOSEFINA PATRICIA A. MAGPALE-ASIRIT

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