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TO : ALL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES

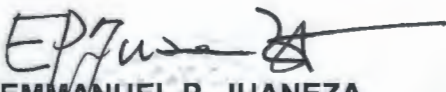
SUBJECT : CONDUCT OR PARTICIPATION OF ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES IN TASK FORCE KAPATID

The recent onslaught of typhoon "Odette" again brought to fore the spirit of bayanihan among us Filipinos. The EC's Task Force Kapatid which was long been institutionalized was once again activated by the government through the Department of Energy at its helm. Hundreds of its unsung volunteers from different ECs have time and again shown their heroism, selflessness and sacrifice beyond call of duty working under adverse and harsh conditions to repair and rehabilitate power lines and stations, thereby immediately restoring power in disaster ravaged areas.

The TFK, initially launched in 2002 by the former NEA Administrator and Presidential Adviser on Rural Electrification, the late Fr. Francisco G. Silva, wherein NEA and ECs group together to mobilize their personnel and logistics to assist other ECs needing immediate rehabilitation of distribution lines in times of calamities in order to speedily restore power service to member-consumers and alleviate the plight of the rural folks.

Amidst the political activities in the run up of the forthcoming national and local elections next year, our spirit of volunteerism should not be tainted with partisan political activities in the conduct of our repair and rehabilitation activities, lest the ECs will give the impression of advancing certain political agenda. It is in this light that we are reminding the ECs who are participating or intends to participate in the TFK to refrain from conducting, showing or giving the impression that they are "sponsored" by certain political and/or party list groups. Participating in partisan political activities by ECs is prohibited by law, specifically the Omnibus Election Code, thus ECs are exhorted to display their heroism, selflessness and sacrifice beyond call of duty by proudly displaying their individual identities as ECs working under the TFK and not under the auspices of any partisan political and/or party list groups.

Please be guided accordingly.


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