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MEMORANDUM No. 2014-013

TO : ALL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES (ECs)

SUBJECT : CONDUCT OF SPECIAL DISTRICT ELECTIONS AFTER A FAILURE OF ELECTIONS DUE TO DISQUALIFICATION OF CANDIDATES

Republic Act No. 10531 or the "National Electrification Administration Reform Act of 2013 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) have introduced structural reforms in the National Electrification Administration (NEA) and Electric Cooperatives (ECs). In line with this objective, enshrined in the law are the new qualifications and disqualifications of candidates for members of the Board of Directors of ECs, aimed to empower and enable the ECs to cope with and effectively respond to the challenges in the power industry.

In this regard, some ECs had declared failure of elections in some districts scheduled for regular elections for failure of candidates to meet the qualifications under the law. These circumstances should not, however, defer the conduct of special elections, and allow the members to choose from those who will offer their services and time to the ECs.

Accordingly, all ECs are hereby enjoined to conduct special elections within the succeeding month after the failed elections. Expenses shall be maintained to the minimum through the utilization of the previously appointed DECOMs that have undertaken the briefing/orientation, same Master List of Voters, and all other election paraphernalia, among others.

In case of a subsequent failure of elections, the appointment of qualified member-consumers may be considered by the NEA based on existing guidelines.

The General Manager or OIC and the Institutional Services Department (ISD) Manager are hereby enjoined to undertake appropriate preparations.

For your information, guidance and strict compliance.


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Administrator

