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MEMORANDUM NO. 2015-028

T O : ALL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES (ECs)
SUBJECT : Guidelines in the Candidacy of EC Officials and Employees in the 2016 National and Local Elections

Pursuant to NEA's mandate under P.D. 269, as amended by RA 10531, to issue orders, rules and regulations over all matters effecting ECs, the campaign periods are set for the different elective positions for the forthcoming local and national elections on May 09, 2016, as follows:

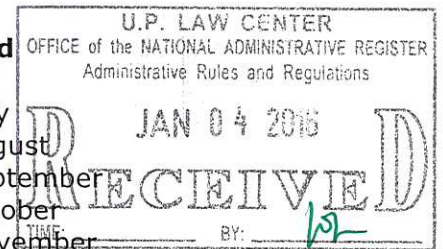
February 09, 2016 to May 07, 2016	Candidates for President, Vice-President, and Senator and Party-list groups participating in the party-list system of representation
March 25, 2016 to May 07, 2016	Candidates for Member, House of Representatives, elective regional, provincial, city and municipal officials

Thus, in the conduct of district elections, the electric cooperatives are hereby enjoined to strictly observe the following:

1. District Elections originally scheduled on the 1st semester of 2016 shall be deferred to the 2nd semester of the same year in order to avoid any possible confusion among the electorate in the event that their district elections are held within the election and active campaign periods of the May 09, 2016 elections.

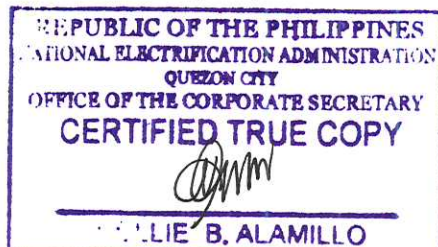
The new schedule for election year 2016 shall be as follows:

Original	Deferred
01 - 31 January	01 - 31 July
01 - 28 February	01 - 31 August
01 - 31 March	01 - 30 September
01 - 30 April	01 - 31 October
01 - 31 May	01 - 30 November
01 - 30 June	01 - 31 December



2. EC Officials and employees who shall file their Certificates of Candidacy (COC), thus, officially signifying that they would run for public office/position in either the local or national election, shall be considered automatically resigned from their respective positions, effective upon the following dates, which mark the beginning of the campaign period:

- a. February 09, 2016 - candidates for President, Vice President, Senator and Party-list;



- b. March 25, 2016 - candidates for Member, House of Representatives, elective regional, provincial, city and municipal officials.
- All Directors elected in the deferred elections shall immediately assume office upon taking their oath, and shall serve only the remaining portion of the current three year-term.
 - Further, the conduct of the Annual General Membership Assembly (AGMA) may also be deferred, if in the discretion of the Board, its conduct will be affected by the political activities ensuing during the campaign period for the May 09, 2016 elections. All deferred AGMAs originally scheduled within the first and second quarters shall be correspondingly held in the third and fourth quarters of the year 2016.
 - Actual dates for the conduct of deferred elections and AGMAs shall be submitted to the Institutional Development Department (IDD) not later than thirty (30) days before their actual conduct for monitoring purposes.

This Memorandum shall immediately take effect fifteen (15) days upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

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