

## Republic of the Philippines

## National Electrification Administration MEMORANDUM No. 2007-010

March 27, 2007

TO

**ALL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES** 

SUBJECT

Sitio and Purok Database

The National Electrification Administration (NEA) and the Electric Cooperatives (ECs) have significantly contributed to the development of the Philippine countryside with the implementation of the Rural Electrification Program. Municipalities, cities and now barangays are enjoying the wonders of power. Under the ECs' franchise area, all towns and cities (100%) have access to electricity as well as 94% of the barangays, serving 7.4M connections or 44M of our population as of yearend 2006. A very significant feat for the Philippines, and recognized worldwide. The remaining 2,084 unenergized barangays are expected to receive power by next year, 2008. Funds shall be provided to support these subsidy-funded upland, lowland and island barangays based on a program which the ECs have planned accordingly.

As we near the accomplishment of the energization of the remaining unlit barangays, we recognize the need to pay attention to the sitios/puroks. A lot of request had been received, and still being received by the ECs and NEA. Our research showed that no government organization has a list of sitios. Not even the National Statistics Office (NSO) or the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) have such data.

In order to plan systematically, the ECs had been asked to do the inventory of sitios in their own franchise area, be they energized or not. As a result, we requested the ECs last 24 May 2006, through a Memorandum, to coordinate with the Barangay Captain or officials of the Barangay Council, in the identification of sitios/puroks, and that the same is submitted to NEA on or before 30 September, same year. The deadline had been moved three times to accommodate all reports, and for full compliance. The last one was end of January 2007, which already included a provision which states that non-submission of list of sitios will mean that EC is ready to assume the responsibility of funding its own sitios. We have identified 12 ECs which did not submit any list. NEA shall then, NOT include these ECs in the request for rural electrification fund as a result. These ECs shall be given a separate memorandum to formalize the information.

The NEA website shall carry the list of ECs and their sitios, and will be accessible by end of May 2007.

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