Republic of the Philippines National Electrification Administration

"The 1st Performance Governance System-Institutionalized National Government Agency"

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PRIORITY

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TO

ALL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES (ECs)

SUBJECT

RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF EC OFFICIALS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SITIO ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAM (SEP)

The massive implementation of sitio electrification throughout the country is part of President Benigno S. Aquino III's Social Contract with the Fiipino people, and likewise included in the Investment Agenda of his administration. Thus, government funds as subsidy for this purpose have been allocated and immediately made available to the ECs through NEA for the program's beneficiaries – the poorer segment of the Filipino nation.

It can be recalled that since the start of implementation in the latter part of 2011, we were able to manifest our resolve in energizing more than the targeted number of sitios. For this year, since subsidy releases are being made available, which already include housewiring materials and installation for the first 20 to 30 households, we are convinced that we shall deliver the committed number of sitios with the corresponding connections.

As we move closer towards our goal, it is imperative that we reciprocate the trust and confidence that the Aquino administration has bestowed upon us, NEA and the ECs by our sincere commitment to attain the program's objectives. As the recognized leaders in your respective ECs, the Board of Directors together with the General Managers or Officers-in-Charge shall in all stages of SEP implementation be responsible and accountable in ensuring the completion of the projects.

Foremost among your responsibilities is to ensure your EC's compliance to procurement guidelines, bidding procedures, specifications for quality materials and integrity of reports for submission. Further, you are enjoined to cross-check with your neighboring ECs or within your respective regions on the supply and cost of quality materials to help ensure that you get the best at the most reasonable price. Accredited Third Party Monitoring teams shall likewise be deployed for the purpose of validating the veracity of program implementation details. Those found to be wanting in their compliance to rules shall be answerable and dealt with for whatever infractions they might have committed. All these projects shall be subject to final inspection before close-out, and NEA and COA audit.

Finally, NEA's long established partnership with the ECs shall continue to be strong moreso in our mandate to energize all sitios and households for a brighter future in our country. Together, let all our efforts and transactions be imbued with efficiency, transparency and integrity.

Your compliance is strictly enjoined.

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