

## **NATIONAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION**

"The 1st Performance Governance System-Institutionalized National Government Agency"
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MEMORANDUM No. 2013-020-A

TO : ALL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES

SUBJECT: CLARIFICATORY ISSUANCE ON MEMORANDUM NO.

2013-020

This clarificatory issuance is made in reply to numerous queries on Memorandum No. 2013-020 which made reference to COMELEC Resolution No. 9715 promulgated on 18 June 2013, setting the campaign and election period for the 2013 Barangay Elections. Thus, EC employees who shall file their Certificates of Candidacy, officially signifying their intention to run for public office/position in the said elections shall be considered resigned effective the last day for the filing of Certificates of Candidacy.

Section 26-A (b) of P.D. 269 as amended by R.A. 10531, provides for the disqualifications for the EC Board and officers. Further, Section 4-A (a), in relation to Section 4 (q) grants the NEA the power to issue orders, rules and regulations over all matters affecting ECs. By necessary implication, and pursuant to the avowed purpose of the NEA Reform Act to insulate from local politics the management and operation of the EC, the said disqualifications should apply to EC employees.

Thus, with the disqualification being applied to the EC Board and officers, the same should all the more apply to the EC employees who are required to render full-time service to the EC. To do otherwise would negate the objective of the law.

Consistent with the previous issuances on similar concerns, EC employees who shall file their Certificates of Candidacy for the Barangay Elections shall be deemed resigned as of October 17, 2013, the last day for the filing of the Certificates of Candidacy.

All EC employees, affected and who are considered resigned by reason of Memorandum No. 2013-020, shall receive all monetary benefits due them under applicable laws.

The ECs are hereby directed to cause the dissemination of this Clarificatory Memorandum in conspicuous places within their respective franchise areas.

For immediate compliance.

EDITA S. BUENO
Administrator

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