



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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**PROMULGATING THE RETAIL MARKET MANUALS FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF RETAIL COMPETITION AND OPEN ACCESS
AND PROVIDING FOR TRANSITORY ARRANGEMENTS**

WHEREAS, in Section 37 of the Republic Act No. 9136, otherwise known as "The Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001" (the *Act*), the Department of Energy (*DOE*) is mandated, among others, to:

- (a) Supervise the restructuring of the electric power industry;
- (b) Formulate rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement the objectives of EPIRA; and
- (c) Exercise such other powers, as may be necessary or incidental to attain the objectives of the *Act*;

WHEREAS, on 06 June 2011, the Energy Regulatory Commission (*ERC*) through Resolution No. 10 Series of 2011, certified that the five (5) pre-conditions for the implementation of Retail Competition and Open Access as provided in Section 31 of the EPIRA have already been met;

WHEREAS, in preparation for the implementation of Retail Competition and Open Access (*RCOA*), the *DOE*:

- (a) Conducted a series of public consultations and focus group discussions with qualified customers in the Contestable Market, Suppliers, other relevant stakeholders of electric power industry and government agencies aimed at soliciting comments on the draft implementing rules and guidelines as well as identifying specific areas of concerns that requires formulation of policy; and
- (b) Following the public consultations and focus group discussions, promulgated the prescribed policies (collectively "*Prescribed Policies*") that will govern the implementation of Retail Competition and Open Access through Department Circular (DC) No. 2012-05-0005 dated 09 May 2012 entitled "*Prescribing the General Policies for the Implementation of Retail*

Competition and Open Access” and DC No. 2012-11-0010 dated 28 November 2012, entitled “Providing for Additional Guidelines and Implementing Policies for Retail Competition and Open Access and Amending Department Circular No. (DC) 2012-05-0005 entitled “Prescribing the General Policies for the Implementation of the Retail Competition and Open Access””;

WHEREAS, the ERC promulgated on 17 December 2012 the *“Transitory Rules for the Initial Implementation of Open Access and Retail Competition”* and published the same in the ERC website at www.erc.gov.ph on 21 December 2012.;

WHEREAS, consistent with the above cited policies and rules, the DOE spearheaded the formulation of the *Rules for the Integration of Retail Competition and Open Access in the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (the Retail Rules)*;

WHEREAS, following the series of public consultations with stakeholders of the electric power industry, the DOE promulgated the Rules for the Integration of Retail Competition and Open Access in the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market or the Retail Rules through DC No. 2013-01-0002 dated 09 January 2013, entitled *“Promulgating the Retail Rules for the Integration of Retail Competition and Open Access in the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market”*;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Retail Rules, the *Central Registration Body (CRB)* drafted the necessary Market Manuals containing the criteria, guidelines and procedures for i) the registration of participants in the retail market; ii) market transactions procedures; iii) disclosure and confidentiality of Contestable Customer Information; and, iv) metering standards and procedures for the Retail Market.

WHEREAS, the draft Market Manuals were published on 1-8 February 2013 in the DOE website at www.doe.gov.ph to further solicit comments, views and suggestions from the stakeholders of the electric power industry; Said deadline was extended as requested by some stakeholders;

WHEREAS, the DOE received comments and suggestions from the following:

- Distribution Management Committee
- Manila Electric Company (MERALCO)
- Retail Electricity Suppliers Association of the Philippines
- Batangas Electric Cooperative II, Inc.

- MPOWER (MERALCO Local RES)
- Kratos RES, Inc.
- National Grid Corporation of the Philippines
- National Power Corporation
- Philippine National Bank
- Aichi Forging Company

WHEREAS, the proposed Market Manuals were then revised and finalized based on the comments, views and suggestions solicited from the stakeholders;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to its mandate under the *Act*, the *DOE* hereby issues, adopts and promulgates the following:

Section 1. Approval and Adoption of Market Manuals. In consideration of the foregoing, the Manuals listed below and presented as Annexes to this Circular are hereby approved and adopted.

- a) *Annex A - Retail Manual on Registration Criteria and Procedures*
- b) *Annex B - Retail Manual on Market Transactions Procedures*
- c) *Annex C - Retail Manual on Disclosure and Confidentiality of Contestable Customer Information*
- d) *Annex D - Retail Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures*

Section 2. Transitory Provision. Notwithstanding the timetables provided for in the Retail Manual on Registration Criteria and Procedures and the Retail Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures, it is hereby provided that -


- a) *Contestable Customers* that applied for registration or whose applications for registration were submitted prior to the commencement of the Commercial Operation of Retail Competition and Open Access on 26 June 2013 ("Commencement Date") but were unable to submit any of the following: Retail Supply Contracts, Load Profile and Distribution Wheeling and Metering Services Agreement prior to said Commencement Date shall be registered by the *Central Registration Body*. It is provided, however, that the said requirement must be complied with to the satisfaction of the *Central Registration Body* no later than ninety (90) days from the promulgation of this Circular. In the event of non-compliance, the non-complying *Contestable Customer* shall be suspended by the *Central Registration Body* in accordance with the *Retail Rules* and the *Retail Manual on Registration Criteria and Procedures*.

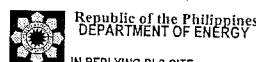
- b) Pursuant to the *Retail Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures*, all *Retail Metering Services Providers* shall provide the *Central Registration Body* with the metering data of all *Contestable Customers* being served by them on the following trading day. It is provided, however, that in cases of incomplete or erroneous metering data, the relevant *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall be allowed to submit the completed or corrected meter data no later than three (3) days after the end of the relevant billing period. It is provided, furthermore, that this arrangement shall be allowed only for the first three (3) billing periods from the Commencement Date. Thereafter, all *Retail Metering Services Providers* shall strictly comply with the timetable and procedures for submission of metering data provided for in the *Retail Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures*.
- c) Bilateral contract quantities in favor of *Contestable Customers* that the contract counterparties wish to be accounted for in the settlements of the *Wholesale Electricity Spot Market* transactions shall be declared to the *Market Operator* after each *trading day*. It is provided, however, that the relevant *Trading Participant* that declared the bilateral contract quantities may review its daily declarations and submit corrected declarations no later than three (3) days from the end of each billing period. It is provided, furthermore, that this arrangement shall be allowed only for the first three (3) billing periods from the Commencement Date. Thereafter, all relevant *Trading Participants* shall strictly comply with the timetable for declaration of bilateral contract quantities.

Section 3. Separability Clause. If for any reason, any section or provision of this Circular or the attached Manuals and Annexes is declared unconstitutional or invalid, such parts not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. Effectivity. This Circular shall take effect immediately following its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Signed this ____ day of July in Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City, Metro Manila.


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Retail Manual

Registration Criteria and Procedures

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I. INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. PURPOSE & SCOPE OF APPLICATION

Pursuant to Clause 2.5 of the *Retail Rules*, the *Central Registration Body* shall prepare and publish a Manual that shall provide the requirements and procedures for the registration of *Contestable Customers, Suppliers and Retail Metering Service Providers* in the WESM. The criteria, guidelines and procedures for registration of *metering installations* are covered by the Retail Metering Manual. The suspension and de-registration procedures shall be governed by the WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures.¹

This Manual implements relevant provisions of Chapter 2 of the Rules for the Integration of Retail Competition in the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market ("Retail Rules").

2. DEFINITIONS, REFERENCES AND INTERPRETATION

2.1. Definitions

Unless otherwise defined or the context implies otherwise, the italicized terms used in this Manual which are defined in the *WESM Rules* and *Retail Rules* will bear the same meaning as defined in the *WESM Rules* and *Retail Rules*.

2.2. Giving of Notices

The guidelines set forth in *WESM Rules* Clause 9.6.1 shall govern the giving of notices required in this Manual.

2.3. References

This Manual should be read in association with the -

- a) Republic Act No. 9136
- b) Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9136
- c) ERC's Transitory Rules on the Implementation of OARC
- d) *WESM Rules*
- e) *Retail Rules*
- f) Philippine Grid Code
- g) Philippine Distribution Code
- h) Department of Energy Circular No. 2010-05-006
- i) Department of Energy Circular No. 2010-08-0010
- j) Department of Energy Circular No. 2012-011-0010
- k) Department of Energy Circular No. 2013-01-0002
- l) WESM Manual: Registration, Suspension and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures
- m) WESM Manual: Billing and Settlements
- n) Retail Metering Manual

2.4. Organization of the Manual/Interpretation

¹ Clause 2.6, Retail Rules

- 2.4.1. This Manual is divided into three Chapters as follows -
- a) Chapter I – Introduction and Generation Guidelines
 - b) Chapter II – Registration Procedures for Retail Market Participants
 - c) Chapter III – Suspension, Disconnection and De-Registration
- 2.4.2. Any reference to a section or clause in any Chapter of this Manual shall refer to the particular section or clause of the same Chapter in which the reference is made, unless otherwise specified or the context provides otherwise.

3. GENERAL GUIDELINES

- 3.1. All *Contestable Customers, Suppliers and Retail Metering Service Providers* authorized by the *Energy Regulatory Commission* are eligible to become members of the WESM subject to compliance with set membership criteria.² Pursuant to Republic Act No. 9136, the *Energy Regulatory Commission* is the agency mandated to authorize other persons or entities that can be eligible to become members of the WESM.³
- 3.2. Considering its implications, suspension and deregistration from the WESM shall be carried out in strict compliance with the procedures in WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES

4.1. Compliance and Implementation

- 4.1.1. **Applicants.** All *Contestable Customers, Suppliers and Retail Metering Service Providers* applying for registration in the WESM shall comply with the requirements and procedures set forth in this Manual and in the *WESM Rules* and the *Retail Rules*.
- 4.1.2. **Central Registration Body.** The *Central Registration Body* shall be responsible for implementing the pre-registration procedures and the handling of information exchange as set forth in this Manual.
- 4.1.3. **Service Providers.** The *System Operator* as well as the relevant *Retail Metering Services Provider* and *Network Service Provider* shall provide the information or document required of them to enable the timely assessment and action on applications for registration.
- 4.1.4. **Market Operator.** The *Market Operator* shall be responsible for assessing and evaluating applications for WESM membership in accordance with Chapter 2 of the *WESM Rules* and the WESM Manual: Registration, Suspension and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures. The *Market Operator* shall likewise be responsible for post-registration changes as set forth in the WESM Registration Manual.

4.2. Amendments

Amendments to this Manual shall be submitted to the *WESM Rules Change Committee* and shall be acted upon pursuant to Section 1.8 of the *Retail Rules* and relevant market manuals.

² Republic Act No.9136, Section 30

³ Republic Act No.9136, Section 30

5. EFFECTIVITY AND PUBLICATION

This Manual shall take effect upon promulgation by the DOE. Thereafter, it shall be published in the *market information website*.

II. REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

1. COVERAGE

Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the *Retail Rules*, this Section:

- a) Describes the *WESM* membership categories and levels of participation;
- b) Prescribes the pre-requisites for applying for *WESM* registration; and
- c) Provides the procedures for pre-registration by *Suppliers, Contestable Customers and Retail Metering Service Providers* upon integration of retail competition in the *WESM*.

The procedures and criteria for registering in the *WESM* as a *WESM Member* are covered by the *WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures*. This section provides information requirements and procedures that will guide the *Contestable Customers, Suppliers and Retail Metering Services Providers* in applying for *WESM* membership.

2. REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS

2.1. Overview

Suppliers shall register in the *WESM* as a *Direct WESM Members* under the *Customer Trading Participant* category and shall fulfill all such registration requirements as provided for in Chapter 2 of the *WESM Rules*.⁴

Distribution Utilities shall register as *Direct WESM Members* in their capacity as *Local Suppliers*⁵ and *Suppliers of Last Resort*.⁶

Applications for registration shall be submitted to the *Market Operator* together with documents and information required by the *Market Operator* to prove compliance with membership criteria and requirements for registration.⁷

Suppliers must have completed their registration as *Direct WESM Members* before they can transact in the *WESM* for their *Contestable Customer* counterparties.⁸

2.2. Information Requirements

⁴ Clause 2.4.1.2, *Retail Rules*

⁵ Local Supplier refers to the non-regulated supply business of a Distribution Utility catering to the Contestable Customers within its franchise area. (Section 4.2, DOE Circular No. 2012-010-0011)

⁶ Clause 2.4.6, *Retail Rules*

⁷ Clause 5.5.1, *WESM Registration Manual*

⁸ Clause 5.3.6, *Retail Rules*

- 2.2.1. The *Supplier* shall submit to the *Market Operator* the specific documents and information required as posted in the market information website to prove its compliance with *WESM* membership criteria and qualifications.
- 2.2.2. Once an applicant submits an accomplished application form with supporting requirements, the *Market Operator* shall assess and evaluate the application in accordance with Chapter 2 of the *WESM Rules* and *WESM Manual* on Registration, Suspension and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures.
- 2.2.3. The *Suppliers, Local Suppliers* and *Suppliers of Last Resort* shall submit to the *Central Registration Body* for posting in the market website the contracting parameters including the general offer, terms and conditions such as indicative average contract price, offers and scope of services being offered by them.⁹

3. REGISTRATION OF CONTESTABLE CUSTOMERS

3.1. Overview

Registration shall be in accordance with the certification of contestability issued by the *Energy Regulatory Commission* which is on a "facility" basis in that each certificate is attached to a metering point. For registration purposes, entities who have more than one (1) *registered facility* shall have multiple registrations and, at their option, each registration may either be as *Direct WESM Member* or *Indirect WESM Member*.

Directly-connected customers are required to register in the *WESM* pursuant to *WESM Rules* Clause 2.2.4.2 whether or not it is certified by the ERC as a *Contestable Customer*.¹⁰

3.2. Pre-registration Procedures

- 3.2.1. *Distribution Utilities* shall notify the *Central Registration Body* within fifteen (15) *working days* from its validation that a customer has met all the requirements of contestability.¹¹
- 3.2.2. The *Central Registration Body*, within five (5) *working days* from receipt of such notice, shall secure confirmation from the ERC if such customer has been certified as contestable.
- 3.2.3. Within thirty (30) *working days* from issuance of ERC's certification, the *Contestable Customer* shall register in the *WESM*. If a *Contestable Customer* intends to participate in the *WESM* directly, it shall register as *Direct WESM Member* and shall fulfill all such registration requirements.¹² If a *Contestable Customer* intends to participate in the *WESM* indirectly, it shall elect a *Supplier* as its *Direct WESM Member* counterparty and said *Supplier* shall register the *Contestable Customer* as an *Indirect WESM Member*.¹³
- 3.2.4. Within five (5) *working days* from entering into a *retail supply contract*, the *Supplier* shall register its *Contestable Customer* counterparty as an *Indirect WESM Member* by submitting to the *Central Registration Body* a copy of its

⁹ Section 4.8, ERC Resolution No. 16, series of 2012.

¹⁰ Clause 2.2.1, Retail Rules

¹¹ Clause 2.2.2, Retail Rules

¹² Clause 2.4.2.2, Retail Rules

¹³ Clause 2.4.2.3, Retail Rules

retail supply contract together with an accomplished application form and registration requirements as summarized in Section 3.3 of this Manual.

3.3. Information Requirements

- 3.3.1. For Direct WESM Membership of *Contestable Customers*, the *Contestable Customer* (applying as a *Direct WESM member*) shall submit to the *Market Operator* the specific information and documents as posted in the market information website.
- 3.3.2. For Indirect WESM Membership of *Contestable Customers*, the *Supplier* (applying on behalf of a *Contestable Customer* who wishes to be an *Indirect WESM member*) shall submit to the *Market Operator* the specific information and documents as posted in the market information website.
- 3.3.3. A *Contestable Customer* registered as *Direct WESM Member* or a *Supplier* elected as *Direct WESM Member* counterparty on behalf of its *Contestable Customer* counterparty shall furnish the *Central Registration Body* with a copy of their *retail electricity supply contract* at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of their contract.¹⁴
- 3.3.4. A *Contestable Customer* that is registered as *Direct WESM Member* shall be responsible for providing the *Central Registration Body* with information on their connection and metering details by submitting a metering installation registration form in accordance with the *Retail Metering Manual*.¹⁵
- 3.3.5. A *Supplier* elected as *Direct WESM Member* counterparty shall provide information on the connection and metering details of its *Contestable Customer* registered as *Indirect WESM Member* by submitting a metering installation registration form in accordance with the *Retail Metering Manual*.¹⁶
- 3.3.6. *Suppliers* that wish their *bilateral power supply contracts* with *Generation Companies* be accounted for in the *WESM* settlements shall enroll those contracts in the *Market Operator* in accordance with the customer enrolment procedures not later than thirty (30) days before the effectivity of their contracts.¹⁷
- 3.3.7. The enrolment shall provide the following details-
- a) duration of the supply contract;
 - b) desired effective date on which the bilateral contract transactions are to be accounted for in the *WESM* settlements which shall coincide with the start of the billing period;
 - c) identification of the *Trading Participant* that shall be responsible for the payment of line rental trading amounts and for the net settlement surplus/deficit allocations;
 - d) copy of the supply contract; and
 - e) written confirmation by the *Supplier* and the *Generation Company* of the foregoing information.
- 3.3.8. Once an applicant submits an accomplished application form with supporting requirements, the *Market Operator* shall assess and evaluate the application in

¹⁴ Clause 2.3.3.2, Retail Rules

¹⁵ Clause 2.4.3.2; Retail Rules

¹⁶ Clause 2.4.4.2, Retail Rules

¹⁷ Clause-2.3.3.1, Retail Rules; Chapter 5, Section 2, WESM Registration Manual

accordance with Chapter 2 of the *WESM Rules* and *WESM Registration Manual*.

4. REGISTRATION OF METERING SERVICE PROVIDERS

4.1. Overview

Persons or entities wishing to register with the *Central Registration Body* as a *Retail Metering Services Provider* must have been authorized and issued the pertinent license or authorization to operate as *Retail Metering Services Provider* by the ERC and shall register in the *WESM* as a *Retail Metering Services Provider* and shall fulfill all such registration requirements as set out in Chapter 2 of the *WESM Rules*.

Upon the commencement of retail competition, *Distribution Utilities* shall serve as the default *Retail Metering Services Provider* for *Contestable Customers* with service addresses located within their franchise area and are deemed registered in the *WESM* without need of complying with registration requirements.¹⁸

4.2. Information Requirements

4.2.1. At the commencement of retail competition, the *Distribution Utilities* acting as default *Retail Metering Services Providers* shall submit the following to the *Market Operator*:

- a. Accomplished application form; and
- b. Signed Market Participation Agreement.¹⁹

4.2.2. Upon declaration by the *Energy Regulatory Commission* that the provision of retail metering services is competitive and open, a qualified entity shall submit the specific information and documents as posted in the market information website.

4.2.3. Once an applicant submits an accomplished application form with supporting requirements, the *Market Operator* shall assess and evaluate the application in accordance with Chapter 2 of the *WESM Rules* and *WESM Registration Manual*.

5. ESTABLISHMENT OF CONTESTABLE CUSTOMER INFORMATION

5.1. Prior to the commencement of retail competition and at any time thereafter, the *Distribution Utility* shall submit information as may be required by the *Central Registration Body* on all end users within its franchise area that it deems to have already met the required demand threshold.²⁰

5.2. The *Central Registration Body* shall, from time to time, publish the list of information that it requires and the timetable and procedures for submission.²¹

¹⁸ Clause 2.4.8, Retail Rules

¹⁹ By virtue of the designation of *Distribution Utilities* as default *Metering Services Providers* under DOE Circular No. DC 2012-05-005, the *Distribution Utilities* having *Contestable Customers* within their *Franchise Area* will be required only to submit an accomplished form and signed Market Participation Agreement.

²⁰ Clause 2.3.1.1, Retail Rules

²¹ Clause 2.3.1.2, Retail Rules

III. SUSPENSION, DISCONNECTION AND DE-REGISTRATION

The suspension, de-registration and cessation of the membership of the *Suppliers* and *Contestable Customers* in the WESM shall be governed by the *WESM Rules*.²²

²² Clause 2.6, Retail Rules

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Market Transactions Procedures

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I. INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. PURPOSE

Pursuant to Clause 3.2.6 of the *Retail Rules*, the *Central Registration Body* shall prepare and publish a *Market Manual* that sets out in more detail the relevant timelines, requirements, and procedures for carrying out *Contestable Customer's* transactions.

This Manual presents the criteria, guidelines, and procedures for the *Customer Switching* requests from *Suppliers*, *Contestable Customer Relocation*, and termination of supply contracts that will be administered by the *Central Registration Body*.

This Manual implements relevant provisions of Chapters 3 and 5 of the *Retail Rules*.

2. SCOPE OF APPLICATION

This Manual covers the criteria, guidelines, and procedures for the *Customer Switching* requests from *Suppliers*, *Contestable Customer relocation* provided in Section 3.2.3 of the *Retail Rules*, termination of *Retail Supply Contracts*, and for the *Failure of Suppliers* in the implementation of retail competition in the *WESM*.

3. DEFINITIONS, REFERENCES AND INTERPRETATION

3.1. Definitions

Unless otherwise defined or the context implies otherwise, the italicized terms used in this Manual which are defined in the *Retail Rules* will bear the same meaning as defined in the *Retail Rules*.

3.2. References

This Manual should be read in association with the -

- a) Republic Act No. 9136
- b) Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9136
- c) *WESM Rules*
- d) *Retail Rules*
- e) WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures
- f) Retail Manual: Registration Criteria and Procedures
- g) Department of Energy Circular No. 2012-05-0005
- h) Department of Energy Circular No. 2012-011-0010
- i) Department of Energy Circular NO. 2013-01-0002

3.3. Organization of the Manual/Interpretation

3.3.1. This Manual is divided into four Chapters as follows -

- a) Chapter I - Introduction and Generation Guidelines
- b) Chapter II - Customer Switching
- c) Chapter III- Customer Relocation
- d) Chapter IV -Termination of *Retail Supply Contracts*

3.3.2. Any reference to a section or clause in any Chapter of this Manual shall refer to the particular section or clause of the same Chapter in which the reference is made, unless otherwise specified or the context provides otherwise.

4. GENERAL GUIDELINES and SCOPE

- 4.1. The integration of retail competition in the WESM aims to promote competition, customer choice and empowerment and greater efficiency in the power industry and to reflect the true cost of electricity.¹
- 4.2. Upon commencement of retail competition, *Suppliers* and *Contestable Customers* shall be permitted to transact in the WESM in accordance with Chapter 3 of the *Retail Rules*.²
- 4.3. The Philippine Electricity Market Corporation (PEMC) as the appointed *Central Registration Body* shall administer retail competition in the WESM and its operations in accordance with the *Retail Rules*.³ It shall also facilitate *Customer Switching* between *Suppliers*.⁴
- 4.4. The procedures set forth in this Manual shall take effect only after six (6) months from the *Open Access Commencement Date* of the integration of retail competition in the WESM.⁵ This means that no transfers of *Suppliers* and *Customer Switching* shall take place during the *Initial Commercial Operations* and any transfer or *Customer Switching* shall take effect after the end of the *Initial Commercial Operations*.⁶

If a *Contestable Customer* wishes to transfer to another *Supplier* or perform *Customer Switching* that will become effective by the end of the *Initial Commercial Operations*, the pertinent *Switch Request* in accordance with Chapter 3 of these *Retail Rules* shall be submitted to the *Central Registration Body* not later than thirty (30) days before the end of *Initial Commercial Operations*.⁷

5. RESPONSIBILITIES

5.1. Compliance and Implementation

- 5.1.1. ***Suppliers***. All persons or entities who are duly licensed by the *Energy Regulatory Commission* as *Suppliers* to *Contestable Customers* shall comply with the requirements and procedures set forth in this Manual, in the *WESM Rules*, and *Retail Rules*.
- 5.1.2. ***Contestable Customers***. All persons or entities who are certified by the *Energy Regulatory Commission* as a *Contestable Customer* shall comply with the requirements and procedures set forth in this Manual, in the *WESM Rules*, and *Retail Rules*.
- 5.1.3. ***Central Registration Body***. The *Central Registration Body* shall be responsible for implementing the guidelines and procedures set forth in this Manual.

¹ Clause 1.3.2, Retail Rules

² Clause 1.3.3, Retail Rules

³ Clause 1.4.1.1.a, Retail Rules

⁴ Clause 1.4.1.1.d, Retail Rules

⁵ DOE Circular No. DC 2012-05-0005, Section 12

⁶ Clause 5.6.4, Retail Rules

⁷ Clause 5.6.5, Retail Rules

- 5.1.4. **Service Providers.** The relevant *Network Service Provider* and *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall provide the information or document required of them to enable the timely assessment and action on *Customer Switching* and relocation requests.

5.2. Amendments

Amendments to this Manual shall be submitted to the *WESM Rules Change Committee* and shall be acted upon pursuant to Section 1.8 of the *Retail Rules* and relevant market manuals.

6. EFFECTIVITY AND PUBLICATION

This Manual shall take effect upon approval by the *Department of Energy*. Thereafter, it shall be published in the *market information website*⁸.

II. CUSTOMER SWITCHING

1. COVERAGE

This Section describes the requirements and procedures that *Suppliers*, *Contestable Customers* and the *Central Registration Body* must meet and follow when submitting and processing a request to switch *Suppliers*.

2. OVERVIEW

- 2.1. *Customer Switching* shall apply to all transfers in *Retail Supply Contracts* of *Contestable Customers* from one *Supplier* to another. These commercial transfers do not involve transfer to a *Supplier of Last Resort (SOLR)* in case of a *Last Resort Supply Event*.⁹
- 2.2. *Customer Switching* is only applied to *Retail Supply Contracts* between *Suppliers* and *Contestable Customers*. Bilateral supply contracts of *Directly Connected Customers* or *Suppliers with Generation Companies* are covered by the customer enrolment procedures as provided for in the *WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension, and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures*.¹⁰
- 2.3. Before a *Switch Request* can be submitted by a *Supplier*, the following must be present:
- 2.3.1. A valid *Retail Supply Contract* between a *Supplier* and the *Contestable Customer* for which the request is made; and
- 2.3.2. An existing and valid wheeling service agreement with the relevant *Distribution Utility* or *Network Service Provider* and a metering services agreement with a registered *Retail Metering Services Provider* covering the *Contestable Customer*.¹¹
- 2.3.3. Switching shall take effect at the start of a billing period except in case of transfer from *Supplier of Last Resort* to a regular *Supplier* which may take effect within a *Billing Period*.¹²

⁸ www.wesm.ph

⁹ Clause 3.2.1.1, Retail Rules

¹⁰ Clause 3.2.1.2, Retail Rules and WESM Manual: Registration, Suspension and Deregistration Criteria and Procedures Section 3.5

¹¹ Clause 3.2.1.3, Retail Rules

¹² Clause 3.2.1.4, Retail Rules

3. SWITCHING PROCEDURES

3.1. Submission and Processing of Switch Request

3.1.1. Once all requirements are met, an accomplished switch request form shall be submitted by the new Supplier to the *Central Registration Body* not later than thirty (30) *working days* before the proposed effective date¹³. The request shall be accompanied by the following documentary requirements:

- a. Switch Request Form
- b. Copy of *Retail Supply Contract*
- c. Copy of valid *Wheeling Service Agreement*
- d. Copy of valid *Metering Services Agreement*

3.1.2. **Initial Assessment** - Within three (3) *working days* from receipt of the switch request, the *Central Registration Body* shall evaluate the switch application for completeness of requirements. In case of an incomplete application, the *Central Registration Body* shall immediately notify the requesting *Supplier* to furnish the lacking or additional requirements.

The *Central Registration Body* shall not proceed with the processing of application in case there is a failure of the requesting *Supplier* to complete the switching requirements.

The *Supplier* shall remedy the shortcoming or submit the incomplete requirements within ten (10) *working days* from *Central Registration Body's* notice. Otherwise, the *Central Registration Body* will no longer process the request and consider it as disapproval of the switch request.

3.1.3. **Approval of Switch Request** - The *Central Registration Body* shall verify that all conditions set out in *Retail Rule 3.2.1.3* are met and verify the membership type of the *Contestable Customer* whether it is registered as a Direct WESM Member or an Indirect WESM Member. Based on the foregoing and subject to compliance with *Prudential Requirements*, the *Central Registration Body* will be able to confirm whether the switch is to take effect and when it will take effect.¹⁴

3.1.3.1. Contestable Customer is registered as Direct WESM Member:

- a. The *Central Registration Body* shall inform the *Contestable Customer* of their updated *Prudential Requirements* within three (3) *working days* from confirming that the switch request meets the conditions in *Retail Rule 3.2.1.3*.
- b. The *Contestable Customer* shall update its *Prudential Requirements* if so required by the *Market Operator* to ensure that it fully satisfies the *Prudential Requirements* as set out in the *WESM Rules*.¹⁵ The *Contestable Customer* shall post the *Prudential Requirements* within ten (10) business days from CRB notification.

¹³ Clause 3.2.2.1, Retail Rules. Date should coincide with the end of the billing period.

¹⁴ Clause 3.2.2.2, Retail Rules

¹⁵ Clause 3.2.2.2 a, Retail Rules

- c. Within two (2) *working days* from confirming that the *Contestable Customer* has complied with the *Prudential Requirements*, the *Central Registration Body* shall notify the new *Supplier*, the incumbent *Supplier*, the *Contestable Customer* and the relevant *Distribution Utility* or *Network Service Provider* of the confirmation and approval of the *Switch Request* and the effective date of the switch.¹⁶
- d. The *Contestable Customer* shall be responsible for ensuring that it has fully complied with its obligations to the incumbent *Supplier* and the new *Supplier*, including but not limited to the payment of outstanding obligations and posting of security deposits.¹⁷

Compliance with such requirements will not be verified by the *Central Registration Body* and are not pre-requisites to its confirmation of the switch. Thus, the contracting parties should be responsible for ensuring that conditions set out in their contracts affected by the switch are fulfilled.

3.1.3.2. *Contestable Customer is registered as Indirect WESM Member:*

- a. The *Central Registration Body* shall inform the new and incumbent *Suppliers* of their updated *Prudential Requirements* within three (3) *working days* of confirming that the switch request meets the conditions in *Retail Rule 3.2.1.3*.
- b. The new *Supplier* shall submit the additional securities required by the *Market Operator* to fully satisfy the prudential requirement as set out in the *WESM Rules*.¹⁸
- c. Within two (2) *working days* from confirmation that the *Prudential Requirements* are satisfied, the *Central Registration Body* shall notify the new *Supplier*, the incumbent *Supplier* and Direct WESM Member counterparty, the *Contestable Customer* and the relevant *Distribution Utility* or *Network Service Provider* of the confirmation and approval of the switch request and the effective date of the switch.¹⁹
- d. The *Contestable Customer* shall be responsible for ensuring that it has fully complied with its obligations to the incumbent *Supplier* and Direct WESM Member counterparty, and the new *Supplier*, including but not limited to the payment of outstanding obligations and posting of security deposits.²⁰

Compliance with such requirements will not be verified by the *Central Registration Body* and are not pre-requisites to its confirmation of the switch.

3.2. **Disapproval of Customer Switch and Remedies**

- 3.2.1. The *Central Registration Body* shall approve the switch request upon submission by the *Supplier* of all the requirements for the customer switch.
- 3.2.2. **Notice.** Within two (2) *working days* from verification that the switching requirements set forth in *Retail Rule 3.2.1.3* have not been met or that *Prudential Requirements* have not been satisfied, the *Central Registration Body* shall issue a notice of switch failure to the *Contestable Customer*, the *Supplier*

¹⁶ Clause 3.2.2.2 b, Retail Rules

¹⁷ Clause 3.2.2.2 c, Retail Rules

¹⁸ Clause 3.2.2.3 a, Retail Rules

¹⁹ Clause 3.2.2.3 c, Retail Rules

²⁰ Clause 3.2.2.3 d, Retail Rules

which submitted the switch request, and the incumbent *Supplier*. The notice shall indicate the reasons for such failure.²¹

3.2.3. **Submission of Additional Requirements.** The requesting *Supplier* may submit the lacking requirements or remedy the conditions that lead to the failure of customer switch within fifteen (15) *calendar days* upon receipt of the notification as provided in Section 3.2.2 of this Manual.²²

3.2.4. **Approval of Previous Switch Request.** In case of insufficient *Prudential Requirements*, the party required to comply shall update its *Prudential Requirements* to the satisfaction of the *Market Operator* and the switch can take effect without need of resubmission of a *Switch Request*.²³

3.3. Maintenance and Updating of Central Registration Body Registry

3.3.1. The *Central Registration Body* shall maintain and update its registration records of all switches in electronic copies. Retention, storage and destruction of records shall be in accordance with prevailing company policies or relevant market manuals. The *Central Registration Body* shall be responsible for maintaining and ensuring completeness of registration records.

3.2.2. The *Central Registration Body's* registration records shall include the following:

- a. Switch Request Forms and Revisions
- b. Notices and other communications to and from the requesting parties, and other parties or agencies
- c. Assessment forms and related internal communications
- d. Document submissions from the requesting parties

III. CUSTOMER RELOCATION

1. COVERAGE

This section provides for the conditions and procedures for implementing and giving effect to customer relocation upon the request of a *Contestable Customer*.

2. OVERVIEW

2.1. A *Contestable Customer* that wishes to relocate to a new service address within the same franchise area and wishes to continue to be served by its present *Supplier* shall send a prior request for relocation of service to the *Supplier* and the relevant *Distribution Utility* or *Network Service Provider*.²⁴

2.2. The relocation of a *Contestable Customer* shall apply only when the *registered facility* of a *Contestable Customer* is transferred to a different service address and the certification of contestability remains valid. However, if a new certification of contestability is issued by the *Energy Regulatory Commission* for the facility at its new location, the *Contestable Customer* shall-

²¹ Clause 3.2.2.4 a, Retail Rules

²² Clause 3.2.3.4 b, Retail Rules

²³ Clause 3.2.2.4 c, Retail Rules

²⁴ Clause 3.2.3.1, Retail Rules

- a. Apply for a new registration in respect to said facility, which registration shall be governed by Chapter 2 of the *Retail Rules* and the *Retail Manual: Registration Criteria and Procedures*; and
- b. Send a notice to the *Central Registration Body* of the cessation of registration of the previously-registered facility in accordance with Chapter 2 of the *Retail Rules* and the *WESM Manual: Registration, De-Registration and Suspension Criteria and Procedures*.²⁵

3. Procedures

- 3.1. If the present *Supplier* agrees to continue to provide service, the *Contestable Customer* shall submit a Customer Relocation Form to the *Central Registration Body* evidencing the concurrence of the *Supplier* and the relevant *Distribution Utility* or *Network Service Provider*.²⁶
- 3.2. If the present *Supplier* does not agree to continue to provide service:
 - a. The *Contestable Customer* shall switch to a new *Supplier* in accordance with the requirements and procedures set out in Clause 3.2.2 of the *Retail Rules* and Chapter II of this Manual prior to relocation. In case of a *Direct WESM Member*, the *Contestable Customer* shall submit additional securities required by the *Market Operator* as necessary to fully satisfy the *Prudential Requirements* set out in the *WESM Rules*.
 - b. If a *Contestable Customer* fails to comply with the conditions set out in the previous paragraph, the *Central Registration Body* shall notify the *Supplier* and the relevant *Distribution Utility* or *Network Service Provider*. The *Distribution Utility* or *Network Service Provider* shall then not permit relocation to a new service area or if the relocation has already been effected, the *Distribution Utility* or *Network Service Provider* concerned shall cause disconnection of the *Contestable Customer*.²⁷

IV. TERMINATION OF RETAIL SUPPLY CONTRACTS

1. COVERAGE

This section establishes the requirements and procedures for implementing and approving, if necessary, the termination of *Supplier* service by the *Supplier*.

2. OVERVIEW

2.1. Types of Termination of Supply Contracts

- 2.1.1. **Non-renewal** – If the incumbent *Supplier* does not intend to renew the supply contract upon its expiration, the *Supplier* shall send a notice of non-renewal to

²⁵ Clause 3.2.3.2, Retail Rules

²⁶ Clause 3.2.3.6, Retail Rules

²⁷ Clause 3.2.3.7, Retail Rules

the *Contestable Customer* and the *Central Registration Body* within thirty calendar (30) days prior to the expiration of the said supply contract.²⁸

2.1.2. **Pre-termination** - If the incumbent *Supplier* intends to terminate the contract prior to the expiration of its term, the *Supplier* shall send a notice of pre-termination to the *Contestable Customer* in accordance with the terms specified in the contract to the *Central Registration Body* and to the relevant *Network Service Provider* and *Retail Metering Services Provider*.²⁹

2.2. Options for Affected Contestable Customer in case of Termination of Supply Contract

2.2.1. **Switch option for Non-renewal or pre-termination** - In case of non-renewal or pre-termination, the *Contestable Customer* shall switch to a new *Supplier* in accordance with the requirements and procedures set out in Clause 3.2.2 of the *Retail Rules*.³⁰

2.2.2. **Application for Direct WESM Membership - Customer Category or Additional Prudential Requirements for Direct WESM Member Contestable Customer** - A *Contestable Customer* who is registered as an Indirect WESM member may apply as a Direct WESM Member to be able to directly purchase its supply requirements from the spot market.

2.2.3. A *Contestable Customer* who is registered as a *Direct WESM Member* shall post securities to satisfy the *Prudential Requirements* set out in the *WESM Rules*.³¹

2.3. If the *Contestable Customer* is an Indirect WESM Member and it fails to successfully switch to another *Supplier* prior to the expiration of the *Retail Supply Contract*, the original *Supplier* shall:

2.3.1. Initiate the disconnection of said *Contestable Customer* following prevailing rules and procedures for disconnection; and³²

2.3.2. Notify the *Central Registration Body* that it has initiated disconnection procedures.³³

2.4 Role of the Central Registration Body

The termination of the contract shall be given effect by the *Central Registration Body* only if the following conditions are met.

3. PROCEDURES

3.1. Submission of Notices

3.1.1. **Notice of Non-renewal** - The *Supplier* shall send the notice to the *Contestable Customer* and the *Central Registration Body* within thirty (30) *working days* prior to the expiration of the said supply contract.

3.1.2. **Notice of Pre-termination** - The incumbent *Supplier* shall send a prior notice of termination to the *Contestable Customer* in accordance with the terms

²⁸ Clause 3.2.5.1, Retail Rules

²⁹ Clause 3.2.5.2, Retail Rules

³⁰ Clause 3.2.5.3 a, Retail Rules

³¹ Clause 3.2.5.3 b, Retail Rules

³² Clause 3.2.5.4 a, Retail Rules

³³ Clause 3.2.5.4 b, Retail Rules

specified in the contract to the *Central Registration Body* and to the relevant *Network Service Provider* and *Metering Service Provider*.

3.2. Procedures for Non-renewal or Termination

The *Central Registration Body* shall ensure that the following conditions are satisfied before confirming the termination of the contract.

3.2.1. **Switch to a New Supplier-** If a *Contestable Customer* switches to a new *Supplier*, the following procedures shall apply:

- a. A new *Supplier* shall submit a switch request to the *Central Registration Body* following the procedures for switching;
- b. *Central Registration Body* shall process the Switch Request in accordance with the switching procedures of this Manual;
- c. Once the switch is successfully approved and implemented, the *Central Registration Body* shall confirm the termination of the previous *Retail Supply Contract*; and
- d. Within two (2) *working days* of confirming the termination above, the *Central Registration Body* shall send a notification letter to the previous *Supplier*, *Contestable Customer* and its new *Supplier*.

3.2.2. **Submission of Additional Securities by a Contestable Customer registered as Direct WESM Member**

- a. Prior to the expiration of its *Retail Supply Contract*, the *Contestable Customer* registered as *Direct WESM Member* shall post additional securities to meet the *Prudential Requirements* set out in the *WESM Rules*.
- b. Once the *Contestable Customer* provides the *Prudential Requirements*, the *Central Registration Body* shall confirm the termination of the previous *Retail Supply Contract*.
- c. Within two (2) *working days* from giving effect to the termination, *Central Registration Body* shall send a notification letter to the previous *Supplier* and *Contestable Customer*.

3.2.3. **Application as Direct WESM Member by Contestable Customer**

A *Contestable Customer* may apply as *Direct WESM Member* in order to cover its supply requirements and to avoid disconnection of *Supplier* by meeting the criteria and procedures for the registration of *WESM Members* and *Trading Participants* set forth in Chapter 2 of the *WESM Rules* and in the *WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension and De-Registration Criteria and Procedures*.

V. TRANSFER TO A SUPPLIER OF LAST RESORT (SOLR)

1. COVERAGE

This section establishes the requirements and procedures for implementing and approving, if necessary, the transfer of *Contestable Customers* affected by a *Last Resort Supply Event* to a SOLR.

2. OVERVIEW

- 2.1. A *Contestable Customer* shall be transferred to the SOLR upon occurrence of any of the following *Last Resort Supply Events*:
 - a. The Supplier has ceased to operate;
 - b. The Supplier's license or authorization has been revoked by the *Energy Regulatory Commission*;
 - c. The Supplier is no longer permitted to trade in the WESM due to suspension, deregistration, or cessation of membership, or
 - d. The agreements for transmission, wheeling or distribution services with the relevant *Network Service Provider* or *Distribution Utility* have been terminated.³⁴

- 2.2. When the *Central Registration Body* determines the occurrence of any of the aforementioned last resort events, a notification shall be sent to the affected *Contestable Customer/s*, the SOLR, the *Direct WESM Member counterparty/ies* of the *Contestable Customer/s* if applicable and the defaulting Supplier, if practicable, of the occurrence and the effective date of the transfer to the SOLR.³⁵

For the *Contestable Customer* that is an *Indirect WESM Member* and the defaulting Supplier is its *Direct WESM Member counterparty*, the *Contestable Customer* shall notify the *Central Registration Body* and the SOLR if it chooses to be served by the latter.³⁶

For the *Contestable Customer* that is an *Indirect WESM Member* and the defaulting Supplier is not its *Direct WESM Member counterparty* (due to existence of multiple suppliers), the avilment of SOLR service must be approved first by the *Contestable Customer's Direct WESM Member counterparty* before the *Central Registration Body* and the SOLR are notified.

A *Contestable Customer* that is a *Direct WESM Member* may choose a) to be served by the SOLR following the timeline set out in Clause 3.4.3; or, b) not to be served by the SOLR. If it chooses the latter, the *Contestable Customer* shall submit additional securities required by the *Market Operator* to fully satisfy the prudential requirements set out in the *WESM Rules*.³⁷

The *Central Registration Body* shall be notified by the SOLR and the *Contestable Customer* of the transfer no later than 48 hours after being notified of the occurrence of the *Last Resort Supply Event*.³⁸

3. PROCEDURES

- 3.1. **Submission and Processing of Switch Request (Switch to SOLR)** - Once all parties agree, an accomplished switch request form shall be submitted by the SOLR to the *Central Registration Body* no later than 48 hours after being notified of the occurrence of the *Last Resort Supply Event*.
- 3.2. **Assessment and Approval** - Upon receipt of the request, the *Central Registration Body* shall evaluate the form. The *Central Registration Body* shall immediately notify the

³⁴ Clause 3.4.1, Retail Rules

³⁵ Clause 3.4.2, Retail Rules

³⁶ Clause 3.4.3, Retail Rules

³⁷ Clause 3.4.4, Retail Rules

³⁸ Clause 3.4.3.3, Retail Rules

SOLR to provide the prudential requirements within three (3) *working days* from receipt of the switch request/notification.

3.3. **Disconnection** - The *Central Registration Body* shall initiate disconnection of a *Contestable Customer* based on the following grounds:

- a. Failure of the *Contestable Customer* to give notice within the period set out in the *Retail Rules*;
- b. Provision of notice that it elects not to be transferred to a SOLR within the period set out in the *Retail Rules*; or
- c. Failure to enter into a contract with the SOLR.

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**Disclosure and Confidentiality of Contestable
Customer Information**

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1. PURPOSE & SCOPE OF APPLICATION

Pursuant to Clause 2.3.2.3 of the Rules for the Integration of Retail Competition in the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (Retail Rules), the *Central Registration Body* shall develop and publish procedures for the request and release of *Contestable Customer* information and the corresponding service fees.

This Manual covers the types of *Contestable Customer* information that may be subject to disclosure and available for dissemination and the procedures for requesting and the release of *Contestable Customer* information.

2. DEFINITIONS, REFERENCES AND INTERPRETATION

2.1. Definitions

Unless otherwise defined or the context implies otherwise, the italicized terms used in this Manual which are defined in the *WESM Rules* and *Retail Rules* will bear the same meaning as defined in the *WESM Rules* and *Retail Rules*.

2.2. Giving of Notices

The guidelines set forth in *WESM Rules* Clause 9.6.1 shall govern the giving of notices required in this Manual.

2.3. References

This Manual should be read in association with the -

- a) Republic Act No. 9136
- b) Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9136
- c) ERC's Transitory Rules on the Implementation of OARC
- d) *WESM Rules*
- e) *Retail Rules*
- f) Department of Energy Circular No. 2010-05-006
- g) Department of Energy Circular No. 2010-08-0010
- h) Department of Energy Circular No. 2012-011-0010
- i) Department of Energy Circular No. 2013-01-0002
- j) WESM Manual: Market Operator Information Disclosure and Confidentiality

2.4. Interpretation

Any reference to a section or clause in any Chapter of this Manual shall refer to the particular section or clause of the same Chapter in which the reference is made, unless otherwise specified or the context provides otherwise.

3. GENERAL GUIDELINES

The provisions of Chapter 5 of the *WESM Rules* and WESM Manual on Market Operator Information Disclosure and Confidentiality (Information Disclosure and Confidentiality Manual) relating to confidentiality and disclosure policies of market information shall be

similarly applicable with regard to the disclosure and confidentiality of *Contestable Customer* information.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES

The *Central Registration Body* shall be responsible for implementing the guidelines and procedures set forth in this Manual.

5. CONFIDENTIALITY AND DISCLOSURE POLICY

- 5.1. Upon prior authorization, provided in written or electronic form, the *Central Registration Body* shall provide the information so required to the *Supplier* or to such other person or entity authorized by the *Contestable Customer*.¹ The information shall be provided in such form and upon payment of fees as the *Central Registration Body* deems appropriate.²
- 5.2. Subject to the procedures and permitted disclosures set forth in this Manual and Chapter 5 of the *WESM Rules and Information Disclosure and Confidentiality Manual*, the following *Contestable Customer* information are available for dissemination-
 - 5.2.1. Administrative details such as but not limited to a) name of entity that owns the *registered facility*; b) service address of the *registered facility* and c) contact details;
 - 5.2.2. Supply details such as a) incumbent *Supplier*; b) past *Supplier/s*; c) duration of contract and names of counterparties;
 - 5.2.3. Details contained in the ERC's Certificates of Contestability;
 - 5.2.4. Bilateral contract details;
 - 5.2.5. *Contestable Customer* load data such as a) metered quantities and b) load profile; and
 - 5.2.6. *Contestable Customer* metering and connection details.
- 5.3. In accordance with the *WESM Rules and Information Disclosure and Confidentiality Manual*, the following *Contestable Customer* information are considered confidential-
 - 5.3.1. Bilateral contract data;
 - 5.3.2. *Contestable Customer* load data; and
 - 5.3.3. *Contestable Customer* metering and connection details.
- 5.4. In accordance with the *WESM Rules and Information Disclosure and Confidentiality Manual*, the following *Contestable Customer* information are considered public or non-confidential-
 - 5.4.1. Administrative details such as but not limited to a) name of entity that owns the *registered facility*; b) service address of the *registered facility* and c) contact details;
 - 5.4.2. Supply details such as a) incumbent *Supplier*; b) past *Supplier/s*; c) duration of supply contract and names of counterparties; and

¹ Clause 2.3.2.1, *Retail Rules*

² Clause 2.3.2.2, *Retail Rules*

- 5.4.3. Details contained in the ERC's Certificates of Contestability.
- 5.5. *Contestable Customer* information shall be made available by the *Central Registration Body* through any of the following means-
- 5.5.1. *Market information website* at www.wesm.ph for public or non-confidential information; and
- 5.5.2. In printed or electronic copies for confidential information upon authorization by the *Contestable Customer*.

6. PROCEDURES FOR THE REQUEST AND RELEASE OF CONTESTABLE CUSTOMER INFORMATION

- 6.1. The *Central Registration Body* shall regularly update its Registry List of *Contestable Customers* together with information that are considered public or non-confidential as set forth in this Manual and publish the same in the *market information website*.
- 6.2. For confidential *Contestable Customer* information-
- 6.2.1. The requesting party shall submit a letter addressed to the *Central Registration Body* stating the reasons for the request and the proof of authorization from the *Contestable Customer* allowing the *Central Registration Body* to release the requested information.
- 6.2.2. Within two (2) *working days* from receipt of the request, the *Central Registration Body* shall seek confirmation from the authorized contact person of the *Contestable Customer* through electronic mail.
- 6.2.3. Within ten (10) *working days* from receipt of the confirmation by the *Contestable Customer*, the *Central Registration Body* shall process the requested data and release the information to the requesting party. An acknowledgment by the requesting party shall be made upon the release of the requested information.

7. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this Manual shall be submitted to the *WESM Rules Change Committee* and shall be acted upon pursuant to Section 1.8 of the *Retail Rules* and relevant market manuals.

8. EFFECTIVITY AND PUBLICATION

This Manual shall take effect upon promulgation by the *DOE*. Thereafter, it shall be published in the *market information website*.

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SECTION 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1. PURPOSE

Pursuant to Clause 4.9 of the *Retail Rules*, the *Central Registration Body* shall formulate and publish a *market manual* that:

- a) Describes the class and accuracy requirements of *meters*;
- b) Defines the procedures that *Retail Metering Services Providers* must undertake to validate, estimate, correct or substitute erroneous meter data;
- c) Defines the information that must be contained in the *installation database* of a *Retail Metering Services Provider*; and
- d) Other relevant procedures to implement the metering provisions of the *Retail Rules*

As compiled, this Manual consolidates the pertinent metering procedures and standards applicable for *Contestable Customers* and for the reference of *Distribution Utilities*¹, *Suppliers*, *Retail Metering Services Providers*, other *WESM Members* and the public. More specifically, this Manual, in compliance with Clause 4.9 of the *Retail Rules*, will:

- a) Define the *metering installation* standards that a *Contestable Customer meter installation* must comply with to be eligible for registration in accordance with *Retail Rules* Clause 4.3.2;
- b) Describe the standard numbering system that *Retail Metering Services Providers* must follow when numbering and identifying their *metering installations*;
- c) Describe the procedures that the *Central Registration Body*, *Contestable Customers*, and *Suppliers* must follow when registering *Contestable Customer metering installations* in the WESM in accordance with *Retail Rules* Clause 4.3.2.1;
- d) Describe the procedures that the *Central Registration Body* and the *Retail Metering Services Providers* must follow to ensure *Contestable Customer metering data* is collected in a timely and efficient manner;
- e) Describe the procedures of the *Central Registration Body* for the validation, estimation, and revision of *metering data* to make it settlement ready;
- f) Describe the reporting procedures in cases where there are errors associated with *metering data* or meter trouble; and
- g) Describe the procedures of the *Central Registration Body* for the measurement and monitoring of the annual performance of *Retail Metering Services Providers*.

1.2. SCOPE OF APPLICATION

This Manual covers the metering procedures and standards for *meters* of *Contestable Customers* only.

¹ As the default Retail Metering Services Provider

This Manual does not cover the procedure for the registration of *Retail Metering Services Providers*, which is covered by the Retail Manual on Registration Criteria and Procedures².

1.3. CONVENTIONS and DEFINITIONS

1.3.1. Conventions

The standard conventions to be followed in this Manual are as follows:

- a) The word 'shall' denotes a mandatory requirement;
- b) Unless otherwise defined or the context implies otherwise, the italicized terms used in this Manual which are defined in the *WESM Rules, Retail Rules, WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures*³, *Philippine Grid Code* or *Philippine Distribution Code* will bear the same meaning as defined in the *WESM Rules, Retail Rules, WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures Issue, Philippine Grid Code* or *Philippine Distribution Code*. Italicized terms that are used in this Manual but are not defined in the *WESM Rules, Retail Rules, WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures Issue, Philippine Grid Code* or *Philippine Distribution Code* are defined in Section 1.3.2 of this Manual.
- c) Double quotation marks are used to indicate titles of publications, legislation, forms, and other documents; and
- d) Any procedure-specific convention(s) shall be identified within the specific document itself.

1.3.2. Definition of Terms

American National Standards Institute (ANSI). A private non-profit organization that oversees the development of voluntary consensus standards for products, services, processes, systems, and personnel in the United States.

End-to-End Test. A continuity test of data transfer from the *meter* to the Meter Data Retrieval System of the *Retail Metering Services Provider* and then to the Meter Data Collection System of the *Central Registration Body*.

Grid Off-Take Metering Point. Metering point at a grid at which the settlement quantity of a Contestable Customer connected to a distribution system will be determined.

Grid Off-Take Meter. the device which measures and records the consumption or production of electricity at the *grid off-take metering point*.

International Electro technical Commission (IEC). A non-profit, non-governmental international standards organization that prepares and publishes International Standards for all electrical, electronic and related technologies – collectively known as "electrotechnology".

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). A professional association that is dedicated to advancing technological innovation and excellence.

² Issue 1.0 WESM-RCOAM-001

³ Issue 7.0 WESM-MSDM-MM-07

Instrument Transformers. A general term for current transformers and voltage transformers.

Meter Trouble. Any error associated with *metering data*.

Meter Trouble Report. A report issued by the *Central Registration Body* to a *Retail Metering Services Provider* for the correction of detected *metering data* errors.

1.4. RESPONSIBILITIES

1.4.1. Compliance and Implementation

- a) The *Central Registration Body* shall be responsible for the development, validation, maintenance, publication, and revision of this document in coordination with *WESM Members*;
- b) The *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall provide the necessary information and references for subsequent revisions and validation of this document;
- c) The *Rules Change Committee* shall be responsible for the initial approval of the subsequent revisions and issuances of this Manual;
- d) The *PEM Board* shall be responsible for the initial approval and endorsement to the DOE of the subsequent revisions and issuances of this Manual;
- e) The *Dispute Resolution Administrator* shall be responsible for the investigation of any infraction by a *Retail Metering Services Provider* of a *Contestable Customer*, cases where disputes involved *metering data*, and tampering of any *metering installation* that is detrimental to the integrity of the *metering data*; and
- f) Any other responsibilities of technical or legal committees or groups as stated in the *WESM Rules* and *Retail Rules*, the *Philippine Grid Code* or the *Philippine Distribution Code* which may affect the relevant provision of this Manual.

1.4.2. Amendments

Amendments to this Manual shall be submitted to the *WESM Rules Change Committee* and shall be acted upon pursuant to Section 1.8 of the *Retail Rules* and relevant market manuals.

1.5. EFFECTIVITY AND PUBLICATION

This Manual shall take effect upon approval by the *Department of Energy*. Thereafter, it shall be *published* in the *market information website*⁴.

2. METERING INSTALLATION STANDARDS

2.1. COVERAGE

This section defines the *metering installation* standards that a *Contestable Customer meter installation* must comply with to be eligible for registration in the *Wholesale Electricity Spot Market*.

⁴www.wesm.ph

The section also covers certain electrical, dimensional, and mechanical characteristics and designs, and takes into consideration certain safety features of current and inductively-coupled voltage transformers of types generally used in the measurement of electricity associated with revenue metering.

2.2. OVERVIEW

- a) A *metering installation* shall be accurate in accordance with the *Retail Rules*, the *Philippine Grid Code*, the *Philippine Distribution Code*, the *WESM Rules* and this Manual⁵.
- b) A *metering installation* shall be secured⁶.
- c) A *metering installation* shall have facilities to enable metering data to be transmitted from the *metering installation* to the *Retail Metering Services Provider's metering database*, and be capable of communicating with the *Retail Metering Services Provider's metering database*⁷.
- d) A *metering installation* shall contain a device which has a visible or an equivalently accessible display of *metering data* or which allows the *metering data* to be accessed and read at the same time by portable computer or other equipment of a type or specification reasonably acceptable to all entities that are entitled to have access to that *metering data*⁸.
- e) A *metering installation* shall have electronic data recording facilities such that all *metering data* can be measured and recorded in *trading intervals*⁹.
- f) A *metering installation* shall, where bi-directional active energy flows occur, be capable of separately registering and recording flows in each direction¹⁰.
- g) A *metering installation* shall have a *meter* having an internal data logger capable of storing the *metering data* for at least sixty days and have a back-up storage facility enabling *metering data* to be stored for forty-eight hours in the event of external power failure¹¹.
- h) A *metering installation* shall have an active energy meter, and, if required in accordance with the *Philippine Grid Code* or *Philippine Distribution Code*, a reactive energy meter having an internal data logger¹².

2.3. GENERAL COMPLIANCE

This Manual supplements the minimum requirements in the *Philippine Distribution Code* for *metering installations* of *Contestable Customers*. Any *metering installation* of a higher level of accuracy or functionality than the standards in the *Philippine Distribution Code* and this standard may also be installed.

2.4. METERS

⁵ Retail Rules Clause 4.3.2.2

⁶ Retail Rules Clause 4.3.2.3

⁷ Retail Rules Clause 4.3.2.4

⁸ Retail Rules Clause 4.3.2.5

⁹ Retail Rules Clause 4.3.2.6

¹⁰ Retail Rules Clause 4.3.2.7

¹¹ Retail Rules Clause 4.3.2.8

¹² Retail Rules Clause 4.3.2.9

This section provides the standards for *meters* located within the *metering installation*. These standards will enable a *metering installation* to comply with Clause 4.3.2 and Clause 4.3.3 of the *Retail Rules*.

2.4.1. Redundancy Requirement

The *Retail Metering Services Provider* may provide for a backup revenue *meter* upon the request of the *Contestable Customer*. The backup revenue *meter* shall have a different make and model (i.e. different brand) from the main revenue *meter*.

2.4.2. Technical Requirements

Meters, both installed as the main revenue *meter* and backup revenue *meter*, shall meet the minimum requirements listed in Table 1.

Table 1. Minimum Technical Requirements for Main and Backup Revenue Meters

ITEM	SPECIFICATIONS		REFERENCE DOCUMENTS
	MAIN METER	BACKUP METER	
Accuracy Class	IEC 687 Class 0.2 / ANSI 12.20 Class 0.3 or better	Same as the main meter	ANSI or IEC
No. of Stator	Corresponds to the service type and complying with Blondel's Theorem	Same as the main meter	<i>Philippine Distribution Code</i> ANSI
Voltage Rating	Corresponds to the secondary voltage rating of voltage transformers used	Same as the main meter	<i>Philippine Distribution Code</i>
Current Rating	Corresponds to the secondary current rating of current transformers used (typically 1A or 5A)	Same as the main meter	ANSI or IEC
Frequency	60 Hz	Same as the main meter	<i>Philippine Distribution Code</i>
Measurement	Unidirectional active metering (delivered and 2-quadrant reactive metering) or, where bi-directional energy flows, bi-directional active metering	Same as the main meter	<i>Philippine Distribution Code</i> <i>Retail Rules</i>
Interval Data	Programmable to 5, 15, 30 minute interval	Same as the main meter	<i>Philippine Distribution Code</i>
No. of Channels	At least four (4) channels for bi-directional meters: a. kWh (Delivered) b. kVARh (Delivered) c. kWh (Received) d. kVARh (Received) At least two (2) channels for unidirectional meters: a. kWh (Received)	Same as the main meter	<i>Philippine Distribution Code</i>

ITEM	SPECIFICATIONS		REFERENCE DOCUMENTS
	MAIN METER	BACKUP METER	
	b. kVARh (Received)		
Mass Memory	Minimum of 60 day recording of a 15-minute time-stamped demand interval for 4 recording channels for bi-directional meters or 2 recording channels for uni-directional meters	Same as the main meter	<i>Philippine Distribution Code</i>
Recording Billing Quantities	Display and record TOU energy and power parameters (kWh, kVARh)	Same as the main meter	<i>Philippine Distribution Code</i>
Security	The meter shall have provisions for securing the meter data, meter configurations and programs by electronic means and/or passwords. It shall also be secured physically by way of security seals.	Same as the main meter	Retail Rules
Communication Capability	The meter shall have one (1) independent communication ports in addition to the optical port.	Same as the main meter	Retail Rules <i>Philippine Distribution Code</i>
Internal Clock/Battery	With long life lithium battery for clock/ calendar maintenance	Same as the main meter	Retail Rules <i>Philippine Distribution Code</i>
Time Synchronization	Shall be crystal synchronization time-based. The internal clock shall be capable of being reset/set by the data collection software during normal collection operations.	Same as the main meter	Retail Rules <i>Philippine Distribution Code</i>
Digital Display	The meter shall have a digital display with a minimum of 5 integer digits.	Same as the main meter	
Codes and Standards Compliance	The meter shall adhere to established International Standards (e.g. IEC, ANSI, IEEE).	Same as the main meter	IEC, ANSI, IEEE
Enclosure	The meter shall be provided with the necessary cover to protect the internal component against the harmful elements of environment that may affect its measuring circuit and	Same as the main meter	ANSI

ITEM	SPECIFICATIONS		REFERENCE DOCUMENTS
	MAIN METER	BACKUP METER	
	operation.		

2.4.3. Communication Links

The communication link to be installed shall be a dedicated line (landline or wireless) solely for the *metering* of the *Retail Metering Services Provider*.

2.5. INSTRUMENT TRANSFORMERS

This section provides the standards for *instrument transformers* located within the *metering installation*. With adherence to these standards, a *metering installation* shall be able to fully or partially comply with *Retail Rules* Clause 4.3.2.

2.5.1. General Requirement

A *metering installation* shall include *instrument transformers*.

2.5.2. Use of Instrument Transformers

Instrument transformers supplying the revenue *meter* shall be used solely for the purposes of revenue metering and not for any other purposes, such as, but not limited to, the attachment of other devices. Moreover, the following schemes shall not be allowed:

- a) The use of an *instrument transformer* for two or more metering points; and
- b) Paralleling of *current transformers*.

2.5.3. Instrument Transformer Ratios

2.5.3.1. Selection of Current Transformer Ratios

Current transformer ratios shall be selected according to the following factors:

- a) The maximum sustained primary current in a *current transformer* shall not exceed the primary tap multiplied by the primary factor of the *current transformer*; and
- b) The minimum sustained primary current during normal operation shall not be less than 10% of the primary tap.

2.5.3.2. Selection of Voltage Transformer Ratios

Voltage transformer ratios shall be selected such that operation at the minimum or maximum sustained secondary voltage shall not affect meter *accuracy* or meter function.

2.5.4. Accuracy Requirements

2.5.4.1. Current Transformers

Current transformers shall conform to the IEC 44-1 Class 0.2 or ANSI C57.13 Class 0.3 or better of any *instrument transformer*.

2.5.4.2. Voltage Transformers

Voltage transformers shall conform to the IEC 6044-2 Class 0.2 or ANSI C57.13 Class 0.3 of any *instrument transformer*.

2.5.4.3. Accuracy Tests

2.5.4.3.1. Requirements

Where accuracy tests are required, they shall comply with the requirements of the *Philippine Distribution Code* and other ERC issuances.

2.5.4.3.2. Instrument Transformer Burdens

Burdens shall include the following considerations:

- a) Every device connected to every *instrument transformer*;
- b) The *burden* imposed by each device; and
- c) The size of the conductors in the secondary cabling and the length of the path followed by the cabling.

2.5.4.3.2.1. Current Transformers Burden Calculation

The *burden* calculation for a *current transformer* shall include:

- a) The impedance of the secondary wiring;
- b) The impedance of all devices connected to the *current transformer*;
- c) The apparent impedance associated with the interconnection of *current transformer* secondaries;
- d) The apparent impedance associated with the sharing of a common current path through a measuring device with another *current transformer*;
- e) The apparent impedance associated with the sharing of an approved common-return conductor;
- f) The apparent impedance associated with the impedance of any other *current transformer(s)* connected in parallel with subject *instrument transformer*;
- g) *Burden* under balanced power system conditions; and
- h) Worst-case unbalance, including single-phase power.

The measurement of calculation shall verify that actual *burdens* in service do not exceed the nameplate rated burden limits for the IEC 44-1 Class 0.2 or ANSI C57.13 Class 0.3 of any *instrument transformer*.

2.5.4.3.2.2. Voltage Transformers Burden Calculation

The *burden* calculation for a *voltage transformer* shall include the apparent power and power factor at the secondary terminals of the *instrument transformer*.

The measurement of calculation shall verify that actual *burdens* in service do not exceed the nameplate rated burden limits for IEC 6044-2 Class 0.2 or ANSI C57.13 Class 0.3 of any *instrument transformer*.

2.5.5. Safety Requirements and Grounding System

A *metering installation* shall conform to the requirements of:

- a) Philippine Electrical Code; and
- b) The IEC or ANSI/IEEE C57.13-1983 IEEE Guide for Grounding of *Instrument Transformer Secondary Circuits and Cases*.

2.5.6. Technical Specifications

This section provides the minimum technical specifications of *current transformers, voltage transformers* of the main *meter*, as well as the lightning arresters connected to the *meter*.

2.5.6.1. Current Transformer

Current transformer installed at the main *meter* shall meet the minimum requirements listed in Table 2.

Table 2. Minimum Technical Specifications for Current Transformers.

ITEMS	SPECIFICATIONS	REFERENCE DOCUMENTS
Type	Outdoor Type; Minimum oil filled, Dry Type or Gas-filled	
Cooling	Oil immersed, Self-cooled; Butyl, Cast resin	
Construction	Single phase, wound type, free standing	
Accuracy Class	IEC 44-1 Class 0.2 / ANSI C57.13 Class 0.3 or better	
Burden	Shall not exceed the rated burden limit for the IEC 44-1 Class 0.2 / ANSI C57.13 Class 0.3 (Refer to Table 1 of the Appendix of the WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures ¹³)	
Rated Primary Current	The thermal rating factor shall not be less than 1.0.	
Secondary Current	1A or 5A	IEC 4.2 Standard values of rated secondary currents
Rating Factor	Minimum of 1.0 at 30°C	
Frequency	60 Hz	

¹³ Issue 7.0 WESM-MSDM-MIM-07

ITEMS	SPECIFICATIONS	REFERENCE DOCUMENTS
Ambient Air Temperature	-5°C and 50°C for very hot climate	IEC 3.2.1 1996
BIL	Refer to Table 2 of the Appendix of the WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures ¹³ for applicable BIL	
Creepage Distance	Refer to Table 3 of the Appendix of the WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures ¹³ for applicable creepage distance	
Number of Core	Either One (1) or two (2) metering core for existing instrument transformers, or at least two (2) metering core for new instrument transformers	
Mounting	Depend on the applications	
Grounding	Must have adequate grounding and conformed to IEEE C57.13.3 or latest.	
Security	Seal holder shall be provided to the CT secondary terminal box	

2.5.6.2. Voltage Transformer

Voltage transformer installed at the main meter shall meet the minimum requirements listed in Table 3.

Table 3. Minimum Specifications for Voltage Transformers.

ITEM	SPECIFICATIONS	REFERENCE DOCUMENTS
Type	Outdoor Type; Minimum oil filled, Dry Type or Gas-filled	
Cooling	Oil immersed, Self-cooled; Butyl, Cast resin	
Construction	Single phase, Inductive type, single bushing	
Termination	Line-to-ground	
Accuracy Class	IEC 6044-2 Class 0.2 / ANSI C57.13 Class 0.3 or better	
Burden	Shall not exceed the rated burden limit for the IEC 6044-2 Class 0.2 / ANSI C57.13 Class 0.3 or better. (Refer to Table 4 of the Appendix of the WESM	

	Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures ¹⁴⁾	
Ratio	Refer to Table 5 of the Appendix of the WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures ¹⁴⁾	
Secondary Voltage	Refer to Table 5 of the Appendix of the WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures ¹⁴⁾	
Frequency	60 Hz	
Operating Temperature	55°C average ambient temperature, with max ambient temperature not exceeding 65°C	
BIL	Refer to Table 2 of the Appendix of the WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures ¹⁵⁾ for applicable BIL	
Creepage distance	Refer to Table 3 of the Appendix of the WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures ¹⁵⁾ for applicable creepage distance	
Number of Core	Either One (1) or two (2) metering core for existing instrument transformers or at least two (2) metering core for new instrument transformers.	
Mounting	Depend on the applications	
Grounding	Must have adequate grounding and conformed to IEEE C57.13.3 or latest.	
Security	Seal holder shall be provided to the CT secondary terminal box	

2.5.6.3. Lightning Arrester

Lightning Arrester installed at the main *meter* shall meet the minimum requirements listed in Table 4.

Table 4. Minimum Requirements for Lightning Arresters.

Nominal System Voltage	Max. Rated Voltage	Standard Lightning Impulse Withstand Voltage	Max. Continuous Operating Voltage	Max. Nominal Discharge Current	Maximum Line Discharge Class		Long Duration Current Impulse Withstand Capability
					IEC	ANSI	
[KV]	[KV]	[KV]	[KV]	[KA]	IEC	ANSI	[KVA]
13.8	15	95	12	10	CL 2	Station	100
34.5	36	170	29	10	CL 2	Station	100

¹⁴ Issue 7.0 WESM-MSDM-MIM-07

¹⁵ Issue 7.0 WESM-MSDM-MIM-07

69	72.5	325	58	10	CL 2	Station	100
115	123	550	98	10	CL 2	Station	100
138	145	650	116	10	CL 2	Station	100
230	245	900	196	10	CL 2	Station	100
500	525	1550	420	20	CL 4	Station	100

2.5.7. Primary Connections

2.5.7.1. Location of Primary Terminals

2.5.7.1.1. Current Transformer

The primary terminals of each *current transformer* shall be located as close as practicable to the *metering point*.

2.5.7.1.2. Voltage Transformer

The primary terminals of each *voltage transformer* shall be:

- a) At the same potential as the *current transformer*; and
- b) As close as practicable to the primary terminals of the *current transformer* of the same phase.

2.5.7.2. Connection to Power System

With respect to any physical separation of the points at which the *voltage transformer* and the *current transformer* of each phase are connected to the power system, the *metering installation* shall:

- a) Minimize the voltage drop between the *voltage transformer* and the *current transformer*; and
- b) Minimize the leakage current between the *voltage transformer* and the *current transformer*.

2.5.7.3. Location/Arrangement of Instrument Transformers

With respect to the physical arrangement of the *instrument transformers*, these *transformers* shall be installed in accordance with the *Philippine Electrical Code* and *Philippine Distribution Code*.

2.5.7.4. Primary Cable

2.5.7.4.1. Quality of Materials and Workmanship

The primary cable terminations connected to the high-voltage terminals of an instrument transformer shall be in good quality and of accepted workmanship.

2.5.7.4.2. Electrical Location of Primary Connections

Primary connections of the instrument transformer shall be located such that operation of power system equipment does not degrade the following elements:

- a) Accuracy of measurement;
- b) Data required for validation or settlement;
- c) Loss adjustment factors; and
- d) Monitoring of metering equipment condition.

2.5.8. Secondary Connections

2.5.8.1. Size of Secondary Cabling

2.5.8.1.1. Current Transformer

The secondary cabling between the *current transformers* and the meter test switch/block shall be of a sufficient size that the rated *burden* for the IEC 0.2 or ANSI 0.3 accuracy class is not exceeded when rated current flows in the secondary winding.

2.5.8.1.2. Voltage Transformer

The secondary cabling between the *voltage transformers* and the meter test switch/block shall be of correct size such that the voltage drop in each phase does not exceed 0.2 V.

2.5.8.2. Codes and Conditions

Instrument transformer secondary cabling and cabling accessories shall comply with the following codes and conditions:

- a) The Philippine Electrical Code;
- b) The main *meter* shall be supplied from dedicated *current transformers* used for no other purpose;
- c) *Voltage transformers* with one secondary winding shall be dedicated to the main *meter* and used for no other purpose;
- d) *Voltage transformers* with more than one secondary winding shall have one winding dedicated to the main *meter* and shall be used for no other purpose;
- e) Electrical connection to the *instrument transformer* secondary terminals shall not be outside of the meter box;
- f) Cabling from the *instrument transformers* to the meter enclosure shall be routed in dedicated conduit, and the route shall be visually traceable; and
- g) Each secondary terminal used for each *instrument transformer* shall be brought to the test block on a separate conductor.

2.6. SECURITY OF METERING INSTALLATIONS AND DATA

This section provides the security standards for *metering installations* and its *metering data*. With adherence to these standards, a *metering installation* shall be able to fully or partially comply with *Retail Rules* Clause 4.3.2.3.

2.6.1. Physical Security

A *metering installation* shall be secured, tamper-proof, and conforms to the following applicable security requirements:

2.6.1.1. Instrument Transformers Connections

Secondary cabling shall be secured, tamper-resistant and compliant with the *Philippine Distribution Code* requirements on the security of registered revenue *metering installations* and *metering data*.

2.6.1.2. Conduit Systems

All wiring from the secondary terminal box of *instrument transformers* to the meter box shall be placed in a conduit consistent with the provisions in the *Philippine Distribution Code*.

2.6.1.3. Secondary Terminal Box

Secondary terminal boxes of the *current transformers* and *voltage transformers* shall be sealed to ensure the detection of unauthorized access to the *instrument transformer* connections.

2.6.1.4. Meter Enclosure

All *meters*, test links, and communication equipment shall be contained within a meter enclosure. The meter enclosure shall comply with the following requirements:

- a) The meter enclosure shall be secured by the *Retail Metering Services Provider*;
- b) The *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall have access to the meter enclosure at all times;
- c) Persons other than the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall not be given access to the meter enclosure;
- d) The meter enclosure shall be padlocked and sealed as far as practicable in a manner approved by the *Central Registration Body*; and
- e) The meter enclosure shall be weatherproof.

2.6.1.5. Meter Test Block/Switch

Meter test block/switch shall be installed inside the meter enclosure to allow the current and voltage from each *instrument transformer* and *meter* to be individually determined. The meter test block/switch shall have the following technical description:

- a) Test Points: 10 points, (4 potential & 6 current Points);
- b) Pole Arrangement: P-CC-P-CC-P-CC-P;
- c) Rating: 600 VAC, 20 Amperes;
- d) Current carrying parts are made of non-tarnishing and non-corrosive resistant material;
- e) Switches are of the open knife-blade type;
- f) Current switch poles are provided with an auto-shorting jaw and the other has a shunted jack which is adaptable to a test plug; and
- g) Base is a one-piece resistant molding.

The meter test block/switch shall also be provided with the standard cover: a one-piece molded high-impact removable cover.

- 2.6.1.6. Meter Seals and Padlock
- 2.6.1.6.1. Meter Seal Requirements

The requirements for meter seals are:

- a) Seals shall have unique serial numbers;
- b) Seals shall be traceable to the *Retail Metering Services Provider* or Energy Regulatory Commission personnel that installed the seals; and
- c) The *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall maintain a record of seal serial numbers and log subsequent changes, including reasons, for the seal change.

- 2.6.1.6.2. Padlock Requirements

The requirements for padlocks are:

- a) Padlock shall be heavy duty;
- b) Padlock shall have only one security key and placed on a secured area;
- c) Security key shall be controlled by *Retail Metering Services Provider*; and
- d) Use of security key shall be documented and monitored.

- 2.6.1.7. Metering Perimeter

The *metering installation* shall be secured by a perimeter fence, if applicable, and its gate properly padlocked, sealed and secured. Metering perimeter shall also be well-lighted and free from any unwanted materials, equipment, vegetation, and other entities. If the metering perimeter is not applicable, Section 8.4.5 Other Accessories of the *Philippine Distribution Code* shall apply.

2.6.2. Metering Data Security

- a) Each *Contestable Customer*, through its *Retail Metering Service Provider*, shall ensure that the *metering data* recorded in each *metering installation* is protected from direct local or remote electronic access, including during the transfer of such *metering data* to the communication interface of the *metering database*. The *Retail Metering Service Provider* shall implement suitable passwords and other security controls.
- b) The *Retail Metering Service Provider* shall protect the *metering data* during delivery to the *Central Registration Body* other than electronic means and from access by persons other than itself regardless of the medium such as, but not limited to, diskettes, CDs or paper on or in which such *metering data* is transcribed, transferred or stored for purposes of such delivery.
- c) Each *Retail Metering Service Provider* shall keep all records of passwords for electronic access to *metering data* confidential.
- d) The *Retail Metering Service Provider* shall provide, for each *metering installation*, passwords to the *Central Registration Body* providing read-only access.
- e) The *Retail Metering Service Provider* may, or at the request of the *Central Registration Body* shall, change one or more of the passwords relating to a *metering installation* in which it is the *Retail Metering Service Provider*.

2.7. REDUNDANT METERING INSTALLATION

A *metering installation* shall have a redundancy which can be achieved in two ways:

- a) Dual *metering* using two independent sets of *instrument transformers* approved by the *Central Registration Body* where the main *instrument transformers* are connected to the main *meter* and the alternate *instrument transformers* are connected to the backup *meter*; or
- b) Partial redundant *metering* using a single set of *instrument transformers* approved by the *Central Registration Body* where both the main and backup *meters* are connected to either common or separate core.

2.7.1. Minimum Requirement

The minimum requirement is partial redundant *metering* using single set of *instrument transformer* approved by the *Central Registration Body* where the main and backup *meters* are in series or in parallel and connected to a common core.

2.7.2. Minimum Metering Data Deviation

For metering installations with backup meters, the *metering data* recorded by the main and backup *meters* shall not deviate by more than 0.6%. In the event that the deviation exceeds this value, the *Retail Metering Service Providers* shall immediately investigate and correct the causes of such deviations.

2.8. EXISTING METERING INSTALLATIONS

An existing *metering installation* that does not fully comply with the requirements of this Manual shall be permitted by the *Central Registration Body* to remain in service subject to the following conditions:

- a) The *meter* has a mass memory capable of recording 15-minute demand interval and have communication ports for remote and manual data retrieval;
- b) The Energy Regulatory Commission has tested or verified and sealed the *meter*;
- c) All non-compliant *meters* shall be replaced within six (6) months from the effectivity of its registration in the *WESM*.
- d) All non-compliant *instrument transformers* shall be replaced within the period of two (2) years from the effectivity of registration in the *WESM*.

3. SITE EQUIPMENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (SEIN)

3.1. COVERAGE

This section describes the standard numbering system that *Retail Metering Services Providers* must follow when numbering and identifying their *metering installations* and its individual equipment.

3.2. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of establishing a standard numbering system for identifying and numbering *metering installations* and its individual equipment are:

- a) To facilitate the location of *metering installations* for administrative purposes by reflecting the geographical location of the *metering installation* in its Site Equipment Identification Number; and
- b) To facilitate the identification of *metering installations* whose details are recorded in the *metering database* administered by the *Central Registration Body* under *Retail Rules* Clause 4.5.2;

3.3. GUIDELINES

The *Retail Metering Services Providers* shall follow the procedures listed in this Section when numbering and identifying *metering installations* and its individual equipment.

3.3.1. Basis

The specific details of these guidelines are as prescribed in the following provisions of the *Philippine Distribution Code*:

- a) Provision 7.12.1.1
- b) Provision 7.12.1.2
- c) Provision 7.12.1.3
- d) Provision 7.12.2.1
- e) Provision 7.12.2.2
- f) Provision 8.3.1
- g) Provision 8.4.5

3.3.2. Metering Installation

A *metering installation* shall be numbered using the following convention:

WWW-XXXX-YY-CCCC-NN

Where:

WWW Shall be the Standard Site ID of the Substation where the *Contestable Customer* is drawing power from. Refer to Procedure No. 1 and Table 9 of the Appendix of the WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures¹⁶ for the procedure on the designation and a sample list of Standard Site IDs, respectively. Note: the Standard Site ID of the Substation where the *Contestable Customer* is drawing power from also denotes the *Market Trading Node* that its *metering installation* shall be mapped to by the *Central Registration Body*.

¹⁶ Issue 7.0 WESM-MSDN-MM-07

- XXXX Shall be the Metered Participant ID of the Associated Grid Connection Point. Refer to Procedure No. 2 and Table 10 of the Appendix of the WESM Manual on Metering Standards and Procedures¹⁶ for the procedure on the designation and a sample list of Metered Participant IDs of Associated Grid Connection Points, respectively.
- YY Shall be a two (2) digit number designating the off-take grid meter.
- CCCC Shall be the Metered Participant ID of the *Contestable Customer* as referenced to its short name ID. Refer to Appendix B for the procedure on the designation of Metered Participant IDs of *Contestable Customers*.
- NN Shall be a two (2) digit number identifying the *metering installation* of the facility of the *Contestable Customer*.

Example:

ARA-MECO-01-PLDT-01

Where:

- ARA Standard Site ID of Araneta S/S
- MECO Metered Participant ID of Meralco
- 01 Grid Off-take Metering Point No. 1
- PLDT Metered Participant ID of Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company
- 01 Metering Installation No. 1 of the Facility

3.3.3. Meter

A *meter* shall be numbered using the following convention:

BY- (WWW-XXXX-YY-CCCC-NN)

Where:

- B Shall be a one (1) letter initial designating the purpose of the *meter*. Refer to Table A-1 for the standard purpose designations of *meters*.
- Y Shall be a one (1) digit number designating the function of the *meter*. The standard function designations are as follows: 1 - Delivered (OUT), 2 - Received (IN), 3 - Bi-directional (IN&OUT).
- (WWW-XXXX-YY-CCCC) Shall be the Standard Equipment Identification Number of the *metering installation* where the *meter* is located.

NN)

Example:

R3-ARA-MEC0-01-PLDT-01

Where:

R Main *meter* purpose designation
3 Bi-directional function designation
(WWW Standard Equipment Identification Number of the *metering*
-XXXX- *installation* where the *meter* is located (See sample in Section 3.3.2 for
YY- details)
CCCC-
NN)

3.3.4. Meter Box and Modem

A meter box or modem shall be numbered using the following convention:

DD-(B-WWW-XXXX-YY-CCCC-NN)

Where:

DD Shall be the two (2) letter initial designation for the relevant *metering* equipment, device, or auxiliary. Refer to Table A-2 for the standard designation of metering equipment, devices and auxiliaries.

B Shall be a one (1) letter initial designating the purpose of the *meter*. Refer to Table A-1 for the standard purpose designations of *meters*.

(WWW shall be the Standard Equipment Identification Number of the
-XXXX- *metering installation* where the *meter* is located
YY-
CCCC-
NN)

Example:

MB-(R-ARA-MEC0-01-PLDT-01)

Where:

MB Meter Box equipment, device, or auxiliary designation
R Main *meter* purpose designation
(WWW Standard Equipment Identification Number of the *metering*
-XXXX- *installation* where the *meter* is located (See sample in Section 3.3.2
YY- for details)

CCCC-
NN)

3.3.5. Meter Test Switch

A meter test switch shall be numbered using the following convention:

DDYY-(B-WWW-XXXX-YY-CCCC-NN)

Where:

DD Shall be the two (2) letter initial designation for meter test switch. Refer to Table A-2 for the standard designations of metering equipment, devices and auxiliaries.

YY Shall be a two (2) digit number designating the off-take grid meter.

B Shall be a one (1) letter initial designating the purpose of the *meter*. Refer to Table A-1 for the standard purpose designations of *meters*.

(WWW-XXXX-YY-CCCC-NN) shall be the Standard Equipment Identification Number of the *metering installation* where the *meter* is located

Example:

TS01-(R-ARA-MEC0-01-PLDT-01)

Where:

TS Meter Test Switch equipment, device, or auxiliary designation
01 Grid Off-take Metering Point No. 1
R Main *meter* purpose designation
(WWW-XXXX-YY-CCCC-NN) Standard Equipment Identification Number of the *metering installation* where the *meter* is located (See sample in Section 3.3.2 for details)

3.3.6. Current Transformer

A *current transformer* shall be numbered using the following convention:

PDD-(B-WWW-XXXX-YY-CCCC-NN)

Where:

- P shall be a one (1) letter initial designation for phase of the current transformer: A - Phase A, B - Phase B, C - Phase C
- DD Shall be the two (2) letter initial designation for the current transformer. Refer to Table A-2 for the standard designations of metering equipment, devices and auxiliaries.
- B Shall be a one (1) letter initial designating the purpose of the *meter*. Refer to Table A-1 for the standard purpose designations of *meters*.
- (WWW -XXXX- YY- CCCC- NN) shall be the Standard Equipment Identification Number of the *metering installation* where the *meter* is located

Example:

ACT-(R-ARA-MEC0-01-PLDT)

Where:

- A Phase A of the current transformer
- CT Current transformer equipment, device, or auxiliary designation
- R Main *meter* purpose designation
- (WWW -XXXX- YY- CCCC- NN) Standard Equipment Identification Number of the *metering installation* where the *meter* is located (See sample in Section 3.3.2 for details)

4. METERING INSTALLATION REGISTRATION

4.1. COVERAGE

Pursuant to *Retail Rules Clause 4.3.2.1*, a *metering installation* shall be registered in the WESM through the *Central Registration Body*.

This section provides the procedures to be followed by the *Central Registration Body*, *Contestable Customers*, *Suppliers*, and *Retail Metering Services Providers* for the registration of *metering installations* of *Contestable Customers* in the WESM.

4.2. OVERVIEW

In order for a *metering installation* to be successfully registered in the WESM, *Retail Metering Service Providers* must be able to demonstrate the following requirements to the *Central Registration Body*:

- a) *Metering installation* for registration are compliant with the *Retail Rules* and Section 2 of this Manual;
- b) *Metering installation* for registration has successfully undergone an *End-to-End Test*; and
- c) *Metering installation* for registration has successfully undergone commissioning tests.

4.3. METERS FOR REGISTRATION

Main and backup *meters*, of revenue quality and the same *accuracy class*, shall be registered.

4.4. REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

4.4.1. Submission of Application Form and Pertinent Documents

To initiate the registration of a *metering installation* of a *Contestable Customer*, its *Retail Metering Services Provider*, on behalf of the *Supplier* or *Contestable Customer*, shall submit the following to the *Central Registration Body* by courier:

- a) Accomplished *Metering Installation Registration Form* as published in the *market information web site*¹⁷ signed by both *Retail Metering Services Provider* and *Contestable Customer*;
- b) *Load Profile* of the *metering installation* during the previous twelve (12) months as well as its maximum and minimum hourly demand;
- c) *Single Line Diagrams* from the off-take meter or grid meter to the *metering point* of the *Contestable Customer*;
- d) *Certification on Meter Test Results* from the *Energy Regulatory Commission* with its corresponding seal;
- e) *Retail Metering Services Provider* test and calibration reports of *instrument transformers* and *meters*;

¹⁷ www.wesm.ph

- f) Pro-forma Agreement between the *Contestable Customer or Supplier* and its *Retail Metering Services Provider*; and
- g) Documentation of other special features of the meter.

4.4.2. Validation of Documents

Upon receipt of the Metering Installation Registration Form, the *Central Registration Body* shall inspect and validate the submitted documents for completeness and conformance to the standards established in Section 2 of this Manual.

4.4.2.1. Conformance to Requirements

If the *Central Registration Body* deems that the submitted documents are conformant and indicates conformance to its requirements, the *Central Registration Body* shall notify the *Retail Metering Services Provider* of the conformance through fax, mail, or e-mail.

4.4.2.2. Non-conformance to Requirements

4.4.2.2.1. Notification

If the *Central Registration Body* deems that the submitted documents are non-conformant or indicates a non-conformance to its requirements, the *Central Registration Body* shall request the relevant *Retail Metering Service Provider* to provide further clarifications by sending a notification either through fax, mail, or e-mail.

4.4.2.2.2. Resubmission of Documents

To proceed with the registration process, the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall resubmit all necessary documents requested by the *Central Registration Body* through mail or courier.

4.4.3. Testing

In addition to the transmittal of the notification of conformance to the *Retail Metering Services Provider*, the *Central Registration Body* shall also request the *Retail Metering Services Provider* to perform commissioning tests and subsequent *End-to-End Test* on the *metering installation* for registration.

Upon notification from the *Central Registration Body*, the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall then conduct the required tests.

4.4.3.1. Ready for Operation

When the *metering installation* for registration satisfactorily passes all required tests, the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall submit all relevant reports to the *Central Registration Body*. Upon receipt of the reports, the *Central Registration Body* shall deem the *metering installation* ready for operation.

4.4.3.2. Failure of Tests

If the *metering installation* for registration fails any of the required tests, the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall be responsible for rectifying all uncovered problems on the *metering*

installation. Upon correction of the uncovered problem, the *metering installation* shall again be subjected to the test that it failed until it passes all required tests.

4.4.4. Approval of Application

Upon receipt of all documents indicating the conformance of the *metering installation* for registration to the standards in this Manual and passing of all required tests, the *Central Registration Body* shall issue its approval to the *metering installation* for registration, update its registry, and *publish* the newly registered *metering installation* of the *Retail Metering Service Provider* in the *market information web site*¹⁸.

5. METERING DATA COLLECTION

5.1. COVERAGE

Pursuant to *Retail Rules* Clause 4.4.2.1, the *Retail Metering Services Provider*, on behalf of its associated *Supplier* or *Contestable Customer*, shall retrieve the *metering data* from the *meter* and transmit the *metering data* to the *Central Registration Body*.

This section provides the procedures to be followed by the *Central Registration Body*, *Contestable Customers*, *Suppliers*, and *Retail Metering Services Providers* in the collection and submission of *metering data* to the *Central Registration Body*.

5.2. DATABASES

5.2.1. Metering Database

Pursuant to *Retail Rules* Clause 4.5.2.1, the *Central Registration Body* shall create, maintain and administer a *metering database*, which shall include a *metering register* containing information for each *metering installation* registered with the *Central Registration Body*.

5.2.1.1. Data Inclusions

The *metering database* shall include *metering data*, *energy data*, *data* substituted in accordance with *Retail Rules* Section 4.6, and all calculations made for settlement purposes.¹⁹

5.2.1.2. Storage Duration

Furthermore, data shall be stored in the *metering database*²⁰:

- a) For sixteen (16) months in accessible format; and
- b) For ten (10) years in archive.

5.2.1.3. Access

¹⁸ www.wesm.ph

¹⁹ Retail Rules Clause 4.5.2.2

²⁰ Retail Rules Clause 4.5.2.3

The only entities²¹ entitled to have either direct or remote access to *metering data* on a read-only basis from the *metering database* or the metering register in relation to a *metering point* are:

- a) Each *Supplier* whose settlement amounts are determined by reference to quantities of energy flowing through that *metering point*,
- b) The *Retail Metering Services Provider* who is responsible for the *metering installation* at that *metering point*,
- c) The *Central Registration Body* and its authorized agents,
- d) The *Market Operator* and its authorized agents,

- e) Any *Contestable Customer* with respect to the metering data in relation to the *metering point* registered to it,
- f) Any *Distribution Utility* with respect to *Contestable Customers* whose facilities are located in its franchise area and for whom said *Distribution Utility* is not the *Retail Metering Services Provider*,
- g) The Market Surveillance Committee,
- h) The Enforcement and Compliance Office,
- i) The Market Assessment Group,
- j) The PEM Auditor,
- k) The Department of Energy, and
- l) The Energy Regulatory Commission.

5.2.2. Installation Database

Pursuant to *Retail Rules* Clause 4.5.1.1, a *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall create, maintain and administer an *installation database* in relation to all its *metering installations*.

5.2.2.1. Data Inclusions

The *installation database* shall include *metering data*, energy data, and, if necessary, data substituted.

5.2.2.2. Access

In accordance with *Retail Rules* Clause 4.5.1.2, a *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall ensure that each affected *Supplier*, *Distribution Utility*, and *Contestable Customer* as well as the *Central Registration Body* is given access to the information in its *installation database* at all reasonable times and:

- a) In the case of data sixteen (16) months old or less, within seven (7) working days of receiving written notice from the person or entity seeking access; and
- b) In the case of data more than sixteen (16) months old, within thirty (30) working days of receiving written notice from the person or entity seeking access.

5.3. COLLECTION AND SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

²¹ Retail Rules Section 4.5.3

This section provides the process for the collection and submission to the *Central Registration Body* of *metering data*.

5.3.1. Requirements

5.3.1.1. Data

The *metering data* shall contain the following:

- a) Date and time, or time series, of the meter readings received for each *Contestable Customer* meter,
- b) Active energy (kWh), active power (kW), reactive energy (kVARh), and reactive power (kVAR) data in 15-minute resolution with assigned channel number, and
- c) Site Equipment Identification Number of the *meter*.

5.3.1.2. Format

The *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall submit the *metering data* in the meter data exchange format prescribed by the *Central Registration Body*.

5.3.1.3. Timing

Pursuant to *Retail Rules* Clause 4.3.8, all *meter* clocks shall be synchronized by the *Retail Metering Services Provider* to Philippine Standard Time (PST) to ensure accuracy of settlements.

5.3.2. Daily Process

5.3.2.1. Collection

At a fifteen-minute resolution, the *meter* at the *metering point* of a *Contestable Customer* continuously records *metering data*. Immediately at the end of the *trading day*, the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall collect the *metering data* and event log of the whole *trading day* from each *meter*, identified by its Recorder ID (SEIN) and Device ID (Serial Number), of all its associated *Contestable Customers*.

5.3.2.2. Submission

The *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall submit the collected *metering data* of the *trading day* to the *Central Registration Body* at 0400H of the succeeding *trading day*.

5.3.2.2.1. Normal

The Meter Data Retrieval System of the *Retail Metering Services Provider* automatically exports the *metering data* of all its associated *Contestable Customers* to the Meter Data Collection System of the *Central Registration Body* daily through file transfer protocol.

In the event that no *metering data* was received by 0800H, the *Central Registration Body* shall immediately call the *Retail Metering Services Provider* to resend the data through the same method.

Upon receipt, the Meter Data Collection System of the *Central Registration Body* converts the *metering data* to the required file format for use in settlement.

5.3.2.2.2. Communication Failure

In case of communication failure between a *meter* and its Meter Data Retrieval System, the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall retrieve the *metering data* from the *meter* manually through a meter reader handheld device or laptop. The *metering data* shall then be uploaded to the Meter Data Retrieval System of the *Retail Metering Services Provider* for export to the Meter Data Collection System of the *Central Registration Body*.

5.3.3. Monthly Process

Not later than three (3) *business days* after the end of the *billing period*, the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall submit monthly preliminary *metering data* of all *metering points* of its associated *Contestable Customers*. In addition, *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall submit a transmittal letter that includes a tabulation of all associated *metering points* and their corresponding total *metered quantity* for the *billing period*. The *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall also report to the *Central Registration Body* all discrepancies between the monthly *metering data* and the daily *metering data* values with justifications for the discrepancies.

In the event that *metering data* errors are detected by the *Central Registration Body* in accordance with Section 6 of this Manual, the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall be required to submit final *metering data* addressing the errors (see also Section 6.3.2).

5.4. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

This section provides the procedural steps to be followed in case of a failure of the Meter Data Retrieval System of the *Retail Metering Services Provider* or an emergency situation that requires the transfer of the *metering data* processing operations of the *Central Registration Body* from the Main Server to the Emergency Back-up System (EBS).

5.4.1. Failure of the Meter Data Retrieval System

In case of a failure of the Meter Data Retrieval System of the *Retail Metering Services Provider*,

- a) The *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall:
 - i. Inform the *Central Registration Body* of the occurrence of a failure of its Meter Data Retrieval System;
 - ii. Perform emergency restoration of its Meter Data Retrieval System;
 - iii. While the Meter Data Retrieval System is out of service, retrieve all required *metering data* using alternative methods of retrieval and submit it within seven (7) *business days* to the *Central Registration Body* in a file format that is compatible with the system of the *Central Registration Body*. For this purpose, the *Retail Metering Services Provider*

may use a backup Meter Data Retrieval System, if it is available, or retrieve the *metering data* on-site or remotely using the appropriate software;

- iv. Inform the *Central Registration Body* when its Meter Data Retrieval System is ready to resume normal operation; and
 - v. Resume normal retrieval and transmittal of *metering data* using the Meter Data Retrieval System.
- b) The *Central Registration Body* shall, upon receipt of the *metering data*, perform validation (refer to Section 6 of this Manual) and process the *metering data* for billing and settlement, and upload the *metering data* to the *metering database*.

5.4.2. Transfer to Emergency Back-up System

In the event that an emergency situation requires the transfer of the metering data processing operations of the *Central Registration Body* from the Main Server to the Emergency Back-up System (EBS),

- a) The *Central Registration Body* shall:
 - i. Inform the *Retail Metering Services Providers, Suppliers, and the Contestable Customers* of the need to transfer operations from the Main Server to the Emergency Back-up Site;
 - ii. Instruct *Retail Metering Services Providers* to transmit *metering data* to the Emergency Back-up Site;
 - iii. Activate the Emergency Back-up Site, upload the *metering data*, perform validation and process the *metering data* for billing and settlement;
 - iv. Perform emergency restoration of its Main Server;
 - v. When the operations are ready to resume at the Main Server, inform the *Retail Metering Services Providers* to resume *metering data* transmittal to the Main Server; and
 - vi. Resume operations at and upload the *metering data* to the Main Server, perform validation and process the *metering data* for billing and settlement.

- b) The *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall:
 - i. Transmit the *metering data* to the Emergency Back-up Site of the *Central Registration Body* when instructed; and
 - ii. Resume transmittal of *metering data* to the Main Server of the *Central Registration Body* when informed.

6. DATA VALIDATION, ESTIMATION AND EDITING

6.1. COVERAGE

Pursuant to *Retail Rules* Clause 3.3.5.3(c), the *Central Registration Body* shall develop and publish the methodologies and procedures for determining *metered quantity* by using historical load profiles.

This section provides the methodologies and procedures for validating, estimating, and editing *metering data* for the determination of the *metered quantity* of a *Contestable Customer* in accordance with *Retail Rules* Section 3.3.5.3.

Furthermore, this section discusses the obligations of the *Retail Metering Services Providers* in the validation, estimation, and editing of *metering data* as stipulated in *Retail Rules* Section 4.6.2.

6.2. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

All *metering data* received by the *Central Registration Body* shall be evaluated using the Validation, Estimation and Editing process described in this section. When *metering data* contains missing values, uncertain values, or exceeds the maximum or minimum of the daily hourly load profile values of the registered *meter*, such *metering data* shall undergo estimation and editing wherein substitutions of *metering data* shall be made using historical data.

The *Central Registration Body* shall issue a *Meter Trouble Report* for all *metering data* that fails the validation component of the Validation, Estimate and Editing process. When *Meter Trouble Reports* are issued, the *Central Registration Body* shall give instructions to the concerned *Distribution Utility* or *Retail Metering Service Provider* who shall investigate the *meter trouble* and subsequently provide a report to the *Central Registration Body*. The concerned *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall then correct the meter data. Procedures regarding *Meter Trouble Reports* are described in more detail in Section 7 of this Manual.

6.3. VALIDATION PROCEDURES

This section provides the procedures to be followed by the *Central Registration Body* and the *Retail Metering Service Providers* in the daily and monthly validation processes.

6.3.1. Daily Validation

6.3.1.1. Validation Error Categories

The *Central Registration Body* shall perform several checks upon receipt of *metering data*. These checks are described further in Section 6.3.1.2. *Metering data* that fails the checks will be reported according to four (4) error categories:

- a) Uncertain Value
- b) Missing Values

- c) Outside Historical Min/Max
- d) Orphan values

6.3.1.2. Validation Checks

The following checks shall be performed by the *Central Registration Body* for the above validation error categories:

- a) Check for uncertain values.
- b) Check for missing values.
- c) Check for values in the *metering data* which fall outside the maximum and minimum range of the historical data. The historical data used in this check are as follows:
 - i. Value during the same hour last week,
 - ii. Value during the same hour the previous day, and
 - iii. Average of the values during the whole previous day.
- d) Check for values in the *metering data* whose *meter* is not registered in the *Central Registration Body*.

6.3.1.3. Meter Trouble Report

In cases where a *metering data* error is detected, the *Central Registration Body* shall issue a *Meter Trouble Report* to the concerned *Retail Metering Services Provider*. Further details are provided in Section 7 of this Manual.

6.3.1.4. Validation Reporting

The *Central Registration Body* shall prepare a daily validation report containing the errors encountered for the day and their respective category.

6.3.2. Monthly Validation

In addition to the daily validation, the *Central Registration Body* shall also validate the monthly *metering data* sent to the *Central Registration Body* by the *Retail Metering Services Providers*. The procedure for the monthly validation is as follows:

- a) The *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall submit preliminary *metering data* in accordance with Section 5.3.3 of this Manual. The preliminary *metering data* must have no missing values. The *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall report to the *Central Registration Body* all discrepancies between the monthly *metering data* and the daily *metering data* values with justifications for the discrepancies;
- b) The *Central Registration Body* shall compare the values contained in the monthly *metering data* to the daily *metering data* of each *metering point* earlier submitted by the *Retail Metering Services Provider*. If there are discrepancies between the values, a *Meter Trouble Report* (refer to Section 7) shall be issued to the *Retail Metering Services Provider*;
- c) If issued a *Meter Trouble Report*, a *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall correct the *metering data* and submit final *metering data* not later than five (5) business days prior to the issuance of the final settlement statement; and
- d) All final *metering data* shall be formally transmitted to the *Central Registration Body* with a cover letter identifying all the *metering points*, through their Standard Equipment Identification Number.

6.3.3. Validation of Grid Off-Take Metering Points

The *Central Registration Body* shall, on a daily and monthly basis, validate the assignment of *grid off-take metering point* to facilities of *Contestable Customers*. In this validation, the *metered quantity* measured at the *grid off-take metering point* is checked against the aggregate *metered quantity* of all facilities of *Contestable Customers* assigned to that *grid off-take metering point*. The *metered quantity* measured at the *grid off-take metering point* shall be greater than the aggregate *metered quantity* of all facilities of *Contestable Customers* assigned to that *grid off-take metering point*.

If the aggregate *metered quantity* of all facilities of *Contestable Customers* assigned to the *grid off-take metering point* exceeds the *metered quantity* at that *grid off-take metering point*, the *Central Registration Body* shall issue a *meter trouble report* to the concerned *Retail Metering Services Provider*.

6.3.4. Metering Installation Validation Tests

Pursuant to *Retail Rules Clause 4.6.2.1*, in case of *metering data error*, the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall perform validation, estimation and editing in order to derive corrected *metering data*. This section provides the validation tests that a *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall perform on its *metering installations*.

6.3.4.1. Current and Voltage Check

This indicator detects the loss of voltage and/or current input to the *meter* due to failure of the supply from one or more *instrument transformers* or tampering.

6.3.4.2. Load Profile vs. Meter Reading

This checks for corruption related to the *meter multiplier*.

6.3.4.3. Intervals Found vs. Interval Expected

This checks for missing intervals.

6.3.4.4. Time Synchronization

This checks for synchronism of meter clock to Philippine Standard Time/Data Collection System time.

6.3.4.5. Number of Power Outage Intervals

This indicator allows periods of zero primary power to be identified.

6.3.4.6. Cyclic Redundancy Check / Read-Only Memory / Random Access Memory

This is part of the internal components of a *meter*, which is automatically flagged when failing.

6.3.4.7. Meter Clock Overflow

Flag generated by the *meter* indicating failure of internal electronics.

6.3.4.8. Hardware Reset

Flag generated by the *meter* indicating failure of internal electronics.

6.3.4.9. Time Reset

This indicates the interval in which the meter clock time has been changed creating either a shorter or longer interval.

6.3.4.10. Data Overflow on Interval

This indicates that the meter is creating more pulses than it can record in an interval or Data Collection System (DCS) can accommodate in an interval.

6.3.4.11. Number of Channels

The actual number of data channels from the meter does not match the number expected at the data collection System.

6.3.4.12. Changed Device ID

The internal device identifier does not match the value registered at the data collection system.

6.3.4.13. Watchdog Time Out

This is the failure of the meter to return data in response to a poll within the required time frame. This is reported by some recorders when a watchdog register is tripped or activated.

6.3.4.14. Parity Error

This indicator is determined by a parity error bit that is set by a recorder on a channel of data during status check or read/write function.

6.3.4.15. Event Log Check

This checks error messages and alarms recorded by the meter.

6.4. ESTIMATION PROCEDURES

6.4.1. Daily Process

Upon detection of a *metering error* in the daily *metering data*, the *Retail Metering Services Providers* shall correct and estimate the *metering data* on a daily basis.

6.4.1.1. Uncertain Value Checking

Any value in the *metering data* that falls outside the maximum and minimum range of the *metering data* as recorded in the registry of the *Central Registration Body* metering system shall be marked with the status 'uncertain'. Metering data with values with 'uncertain' status are estimated using the following:

6.4.1.1.1. Historical Values

The values with 'uncertain' status may be replaced using the following historical data:

- a) Value during the same hour last week,
- b) Value during the same hour the previous day, and
- c) Average of the values during the whole previous day.

6.4.1.1.2. Backup Meter

The values with 'uncertain' status may be replaced with the values from the backup meter during the same hour.

6.4.1.1.3. Previous Hour Data

The values with 'uncertain' status may be replaced using the reading from the previous hour.

6.4.2. Monthly Process

This section details the procedures conducted monthly for estimating *metering data* for the determination of the *metered quantity* of a *Contestable Customer*.

6.4.2.1. Interpolation of Metering Data

If *metering data* of one (1) to four (4) consecutive fifteen-minute intervals are missing, *metering data* shall be estimated by means of interpolation between the available intervals.

6.4.2.2. Back-up Meter Data

If *metering data* of more than four (4) consecutive fifteen-minute intervals are missing, *metering data* from the back-up *meter* can be directly substituted for the missing data from the main *meter* provided that the historical difference of *metering data* between the main and backup *meters* does not exceed more than 0.2%. If the historical deviation exceeds 0.2% but not more than 0.6%, a correction factor based on the historical difference between the main and backup *meters* shall be applied on the *metering data* from the backup *meter* before it is substituted for the missing data.

6.4.2.3. From Grid Off-Take Meter

If both the main and backup *meters* fail, the *metering data* on the *metering point* of the facility of the *Contestable Customer* shall be estimated using the *metering data* from its *grid off-take meter*. The *metering data* of the *Contestable Customer* shall be estimated by adjusting the *metering data* of its *grid off-take meter* using a historical factor obtained through the comparison of the historical *grid off-take metering data* and historical *contestable customer*

main *metering data*. This method of estimation is not applicable for variable loads whose historical load profile is indeterminate.

6.4.2.4. *Scientific Method of Estimation*

If there is a loss of one of the phase voltages and currents, estimation shall be performed through the scientific method of calculation using the average remaining phase voltages or currents of good data from the historical load profile.

6.4.2.5. *Historical Meter Data*

If the above methods do not provide reasonable values, the following historical data from the main *meter* may be used for estimating missing values:

- a) Values during the same hour of the previous day with the same day type (i.e., weekday or weekend),
- b) Values during the same hour of the same day last week recorded by the same *meter* (i.e. Saturday, Sunday, Holidays), and
- c) Average value of the values during the same hour of the same day of the three (3) previous weeks recorded by the same *meter*.

This method of estimation is not applicable for variable load whose historical load profile is indeterminate.

6.4.2.6. *Other Technical Methods*

Other technical methods proposed and submitted by the *Retail Metering Services Providers* may be considered by the *Central Registration Body*.

6.5. **EDITING PROCEDURE**

The *Central Registration Body* shall update the *metering data* in the *metering database* to correct the values submitted by the *Retail Metering Services Provider*. This update shall include actual *metering data* obtained as well as estimated *metering data* from the main and back-up *meters* within the required period.

6.6. **APPROVAL AND EXPORTING**

The *Central Registration Body* shall approve all received *metering data* before they are used in the settlement process. These *metering data* shall have been reviewed and verified using the methods discussed in Sections 6.3 and 6.4. Settlement-ready *metering data* shall be exported to the settlement process and only approved data are transferrable.

7. METER TROUBLE REPORT

7.1. **COVERAGE**

This section provides the details and procedures in relation to the *Meter Trouble Report* and its issuance.

7.2. INITIATION

A *Meter Trouble Report* may be initiated due to the following:

- a) A *metering data* error is detected through the validation process described in Section 6.3 of this Manual; or
- b) A *Retail Metering Services Provider*, a *Contestable Customer*, or a *Supplier* requests the *Central Registration Body* to issue a *Meter Trouble Report* to the *Retail Metering Services Provider* due to difficulties in communicating with a *metering installation*, or validation of *metering data*. Where the *Central Registration Body* determines that a *Meter Trouble Report* is not required, it shall notify the *Retail Metering Services Provider*, *Contestable Customer*, or *Supplier* of its decision within twenty-four (24) hours.

7.3. ISSUANCE

The *Central Registration Body* shall issue a *Meter Trouble Report* to the concerned *Retail Metering Services Provider* and, for information, its associated *Contestable Customer* or *Supplier* within twenty-four (24) hours after detection or request.

7.4. RESOLUTION

7.4.1. Timeline

Upon receipt of the *Meter Trouble Report*, a *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall submit the correct *metering data* to the *Central Registration Body* within two (2) *business days*.

7.4.2. Unresolved Meter Trouble Reports

7.4.2.1. Estimation

If a *Meter Trouble Report* is still unresolved after the designated timeline in Section 7.4.1, the *Central Registration Body* shall implement the estimation and editing of *metering data* in accordance with Section 6 of this Manual.

7.4.2.2. Late Resolution

The *Retail Metering Services Provider* may still resolve a *Meter Trouble Report* and provide *metering data* acceptable to the *Central Registration Body* after the deadline set in Section 7.4.1. For late resolutions, the deadline to be reflected in the final settlement statement is five (5) *business days* prior to the issuance of the final settlement statement of the affected *trading day*.

7.4.2.2.1. Before Deadline

If the *Retail Metering Services Provider* resolves the *Meter Trouble Report* and submits *metering data* not later than five (5) *business days* prior to the issuance of the final settlement statement date of the affected *trading day*, the *Central Registration Body* shall use the submitted *metering data* for the final settlement of the *Supplier* or *Contestable Customer*.

7.4.2.2.2. After Deadline

If the *Retail Metering Services Provider* resolves the *Meter Trouble Report* and submits *metering data* later than five (5) business days prior to the issuance of the final settlement statement of the affected *trading day*, the *Central Registration Body* shall reflect the said adjustment in the succeeding *billing period*²².

7.4.2.3. Certification

The *Retail Metering Services Providers* shall provide a certification on the adjusted *metering data* showing the agreement of all affected parties in accordance with *Retail Rules* Clause 4.6.2.3.

7.4.2.4. Meter Malfunction

In cases where there is an unintentional *meter error* (e.g., meter multiplier) that causes a *meter malfunction*, the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall reconcile the *metering data* of the affected *trading intervals* within one (1) year after the date of discovery of such error.

8. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

8.1. COVERAGE

This section provides the *Contestable Customers*, *Suppliers*, *Retail Metering Services Providers*, and the *Central Registration Body* the steps for the review, evaluation and measurement of the performance of a *Retail Metering Services Provider*.

8.2. OBLIGATIONS

The *Central Registration Body* shall conduct periodic monitoring and reporting of the ratings of *Retail Metering Services Providers* using the measures in this section.

The *Retail Metering Services Providers* shall, if requested, provide the *Central Registration Body* information necessary for the measurement of their performance.

8.3. OVERVIEW

The *Retail Metering Services Providers* shall be measured with respect to the following areas:

- a) The integrity of *metering data* provided by the *Retail Metering Services Provider* to the *Central Registration Body* and the *Contestable Customers*;
- b) The timeliness of daily and monthly *metering data* delivery with respect to the deadlines in this Manual;
- c) The timeliness in resolving the daily and monthly *Meter Trouble Reports*; and
- d) Customer satisfaction.

²² Retail Rules Clause 3.3.5.3(b)

8.4. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

The Central Registration Body shall rate the performance of *Retail Metering Services Providers* against the standards set forth in this section.

8.4.1. Service Delivery

8.4.1.1. Daily Meter Data Delivery

Daily Meter Data Delivery or Meter Retrieval Success is computed as the ratio of the number of *metering installations* with successfully communicated *metering data* to the total number of registered *metering installations* of the *Retail Metering Services Provider*. Daily average of Daily Meter Data Delivery shall be greater than or equal to 95%.

8.4.1.2. Integrity of Metering Data

Integrity of Metering Data is computed as the ratio of the number of metering installations for which its *metering data* has passed the validation process to the total number of metering installation with successfully communicated *metering data*. Daily average of the Integrity of Metering Data shall be greater than or equal to 95%.

8.4.1.3. Timeliness and Percentage Resolution of Daily Meter Trouble Reports

Timeliness and Percentage Resolution of Daily Meter Trouble Reports is computed as the ratio of resolved Meter Trouble Reports, within two (2) *business days*, to the total number of *metering installations* for which a daily Meter Trouble Report was issued on. Average daily Timeliness and Percentage Resolution of Daily Meter Trouble Reports shall be greater than or equal to 90%.

8.4.1.4. Timeliness and Percentage Resolution of Monthly Meter Trouble Reports

Timeliness and Percentage Resolution of Monthly Meter Trouble Reports is computed as the ratio of resolved Meter Trouble Reports, not later than five (5) *working days* prior to the issuance of the final settlement statement, to the total number of *metering installations* for which a monthly Meter Trouble Report was issued. Average daily Timeliness and Percentage Resolution of Monthly Meter Trouble Reports shall be greater than or equal to 90%.

8.4.1.5. Timeliness of Monthly Meter Data Delivery

Timeliness of Monthly Meter Data Delivery is computed as the ratio of the actual number of submitted *metering data* measured three (3) calendar days after the end of the *billing period* to the expected number of submitted *metering data* based on the number of *metering installations* of the *Retail Metering Services Provider*. Timeliness of Monthly Meter Data Delivery shall be 100% or complete delivery of *metering data*.

8.4.2. Customer Satisfaction

Customer Satisfaction shall be computed using inputs collected through a survey. The survey shall allow the customers of the *Retail Metering Services Provider* to rate their satisfaction with regard to the following areas:

- a) Corporate Image,
- b) Punctuality and Responsiveness,
- c) Safety, and
- d) Behavior and General Impression.

To facilitate the survey, a *Retail Metering Services Provider* Customer Satisfaction Rating (CSR) Sheet shall be issued to the customers of the *Retail Metering Services Provider*. Annual average Customer Satisfaction shall be greater than or equal to 90%.

8.4.3. Summary

The performance measures described above are summarized in Table 5.

Table 5. Summary of Retail Metering Services Provider Performance Measures.

Performance Category	Measure	Criteria	Percent Weight	Percent Passing
Service Delivery	Daily Meter Data Delivery	Ratio of metering installations with successfully communicated metering data to total number of metering installations	25	95
	Integrity of Meter Data	Ratio of the number of metering installations with valid metering to the total number of metering installation with successfully communicated metering data	25	95
	Timeliness and Percentage Resolution of the Daily Meter Trouble Report	Ratio of resolved Meter Trouble Reports to the total number of metering installations for which a daily Meter Trouble Report was issued on	15	90
	Timeliness and Percentage Resolution of Monthly Meter Trouble Reports	Ratio of resolved Meter Trouble Reports to the total number of metering installations for which a monthly Meter Trouble Report was issued on	10	90
	Timeliness of Monthly Meter Data Delivery	Ratio of the actual number of submitted metering data to the expected number of submitted metering data based on the number of metering installations	15	100
Customer	Customer	Retail	10	90

Satisfaction	Satisfaction Rating	MeteringServiceProvider Performance AppraisalbytheirCustomers		
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8.4.4. Computation of Overall Performance

The overall performance of the *Retail Metering Services Provider* shall be computed by summing the product of the rating of the *Retail Metering Services Provider* on each performance measure and the percent weight of the same performance measure as indicated in Table 5.

8.5. MONITORING PROCEDURES

The *Central Registration Body* shall calculate the performance measures and the overall performance score (Refer to Section 8.4 for details) of each *Retail Metering Services Provider* on a monthly, semi-annual and annual basis.

8.5.1. Monthly Performance Monitoring

After every billing period, the *Central Registration Body* shall release to concerned *Contestable Customers, Suppliers* and *Retail Metering Service Providers* the service delivery ratings (refer to Section 8.4.1) of their associated *Retail Metering Service Provider*. If requested, the *Central Registration Body* shall discuss the results of the performance monitoring with the concerned *Contestable Customer, Supplier, or Retail Metering Service Provider*. The results of the monthly performance monitoring shall be published in the *market information web site*²³.

8.5.2. Semi-Annual Customer Satisfaction Monitoring

Every six (6) months, the *Central Registration Body* shall determine the customer satisfaction rating of the *Retail Metering Services Providers* through the issuance of the Customer Satisfaction Rating Sheet to all direct *Contestable Customers* and *Suppliers*. The *Central Registration Body* shall require the direct *Contestable Customers* and *Suppliers* to accomplish and submit the Customer Satisfaction Rating Sheets back to the *Central Registration Body*.

The Customer Satisfaction Rating Sheets are to be accomplished every first week of July of the current year and January of the following year. The July rating shall determine the customer satisfaction performance of the *Retail Metering Services Provider* from January to June of the current year while the January rating shall determine the customer satisfaction performance of the *Retail Metering Services Provider* for the second half of the previous year (i.e., July to December).

8.5.3. Annual Performance Monitoring

The Annual Performance Monitoring of *Retail Metering Services Providers* covers the *billing periods* January to December of each year. It shall consist of:

- a) The annual rating of the performance measures under Section 8.4.1 computed by averaging the ratings during the twelve (12) *billing periods* of the year, and

²³ www.wesm.ph

b) The Annual Customer Satisfaction Rating computed by averaging the ratings from the two (2) semi-annual surveys.
The Annual Performance of *Retail Metering Services Providers* shall be submitted by the *Central Registration Body* to the Philippine Electricity Market Corporation (PEMC) Management and published in the *market information web site*.

Appendix A Site Equipment Identification Number Tables

Table A-1. Meter Purpose Designations.

Designation	Meter Purpos
R	Main Meter
R1	Alternate Meter(Partial Redundant Metering)
B	Alternate Meter(Full Redundant Metering)
B1	Backup Meter

Table A-2. Metering Equipment, Devices and Auxiliaries Designations.

Designation	Description
CT	Current Transformer
LA	Lightning Arrester
MB	Meter Box
MD	Modem
MF	Multi-function Electronic Meter(Smart Meter)
PT	Potential Transformer
ST	Metering Structure
TS	Meter Test Switch

Appendix B Metered Participant ID Guidelines

These guidelines shall be followed in the labeling and numbering of *metering installations of Contestable Customers*.

1. The Metered Participant ID of *Contestable Customers* shall be identified by four (4) alpha-numeric characters except for cases cited in items 5 and 6 of these guidelines.
2. The Metered Participant ID of *Contestable Customers* whose full name corresponds to a three-letter abbreviation shall be that three-letter abbreviation appended by the zero (0) character.

Example:

Contestable Customer	Metered Participant ID
American Power Conversion	APC0
Bank of the Philippine Islands	BPI0
Cultural Center of the Philippines	CCP0

3. The Metered Participant ID of *Contestable Customers* whose corporate name is composed of only one or two words shall be the first letter of the first word, the succeeding two (2) consonants of the first word, and the first letter of the second word or the zero (0) character.

Example:

Contestable Customer	Metered Participant ID
Amerton, Inc.	AMRI
Ayala Corp.	AYLC
Lancaster	LNC0
Magic Mall	MGCM
TIMEX	TMX0

4. The Metered Participant ID of *Contestable Customers* whose name consists of four (4) letters or less shall be its name itself appended by the zero (0) character, if necessary.

Example:

Contestable Customer	Metered Participant ID
PHPC	PHPC

5. The Metered Participant ID of *Contestable Customers* that has numeric characters in its corporate name shall be the numeric characters and the abbreviation of the alphabetic characters.

Example:

Contestable Customer	Metered Participant ID
14-678 PROPERTY HOLDINGS INC.	146PH
1590 ENERGY CORPORATION	159EC
18-2 PROPERTY HOLDINGS INC	182PH

19-1 REALTY CORPORATION	191RC
6-24 PROPERTY HOLDINGS INC.	624PH
6-3 PROPERTY HOLDINGS INC.	63PHI
21ST CENTURY STEEL MILLS, INC.	21CSM

6. The Metered Participant ID of *Contestable Customers* that has several facilities in their name shall be composed of six (6) alpha-numeric characters. The Metered Participant ID shall be the combination of three (3) alpha-numeric characters corresponding to the abbreviation of their corporate name, two (2) numeric characters corresponding to the facility number, and one (1) numeric character corresponding to the metering installation in that location.

Example:

Contestable Customer	Metered Participant ID
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Batangas	RLC011
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Cavite	RLC021
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Cavite	RLC022
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Laguna	RLC031
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Makati City	RLC041
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Mandaluyong	RLC051
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Mandaluyong	RLC052
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Mandaluyong	RLC053
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Mandaluyong	RLC054
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Mandaluyong	RLC055
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Mandaluyong	RLC056
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Mandaluyong	RLC057
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Manila	RLC061
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Manila	RLC062
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Manila	RLC063
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Pasig City	RLC071
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Quezon City	RLC081
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Rizal	RLC091
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Bacolod	RLC101
ROBINSONS LAND CORP., Cebu	RLC111