

Republic of the Philippines
ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
Pasig City

IN THE MATTER OF THE
APPLICATION FOR
APPROVAL OF THE POWER
SUPPLY AGREEMENT
(PSA) BETWEEN ILOCOS
NORTE ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC. (INEC)
AND ONE ILOCOS NORTE
ENERGY CORPORATION
(OINEC) WITH PRAYER
FOR PROVISIONAL
AUTHORITY AND/OR
INTERIM RELIEF AND
CONFIDENTIAL
TREATMENT,

ERC CASE NO. 2025-160 RC

ILOCOS NORTE ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC. (INEC)
AND ONE ILOCOS NORTE
ENERGY CORP. (OINEC),
Applicants.

Promulgated:
October 09, 2025

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ORDER

On 27 August 2025, Applicants Ilocos Norte Electric Cooperative, Inc. (INEC) and One Ilocos Norte Energy Corp. (OINEC) filed a *Joint Application*, dated 02 June 2025, seeking the Commission's approval of their Power Supply Agreement (PSA), with prayer for confidential treatment of information and for provisional authority or interim relief.

The docketed copy of the *Joint Application*, excluding its annexes, is attached as Annex "A" of the *Notice of Virtual Hearing*.

Finding the *Joint Application* to be sufficient in form and with the required fees having been paid, the Commission hereby sets the same for hearing, pursuant to the pertinent rules of the Commission, as follows:

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Date and Time	Platform	Activity
06 November 2025 (Thursday) at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 P.M.)	Microsoft Teams Application	Determination of compliance with jurisdictional requirements, and Expository Presentation
13 November 2025 (Thursday) at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 P.M)		Pre-trial Conference and Presentation of Evidence

Accordingly, INEC and OINEC are hereby directed to host the virtual hearings at **INEC's principal office at Barangay Suyo, Dingras, Ilocos Norte**, as the designated venue for the conduct thereof and ensure that the same is open to the public. Moreover, INEC and OINEC shall guarantee that, during the conduct of the expository presentation, the participation of the public shall not be impaired.

RELATIVE THERETO, INEC and OINEC are hereby directed to:

- 1) Cause the publication of the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing* in two (2) newspapers of nationwide circulation in the Philippines at its own expense twice (2x) within two (2) successive weeks, the dates of publication not being less than seven (7) days apart, and the date of the last publication to be made not later than ten (10) days before the date of the scheduled initial virtual hearing;
- 2) Furnish with copies of this *Order* and the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing* the Offices of the Provincial Governors, the Mayors and the Local Government Unit (LGU) legislative bodies, within INEC's franchise area for the appropriate posting thereof on their respective bulletin boards;
- 3) Inform the consumers within INEC's franchise area, by any other means available and appropriate, of the filing of the *Joint Application*, their reasons therefor, and of the scheduled virtual hearings;
- 4) Furnish with copies of this *Order* and the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing*, the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG), the Commission on Audit (COA), and the

Committees on Energy of both Houses of Congress. They are hereby requested, if they so desire, to send their duly authorized representatives and attend the scheduled hearings; and

- 5) Furnish with copies of the *Joint Application* and its attachments, except those subject of a motion for confidential treatment of information, all those making requests therefor, subject to reimbursement of reasonable photocopying costs.

Within five (5) calendar days prior to the date of the initial virtual hearing, INEC and OINEC must submit to the Commission via electronic mail (e-mail) at docket@erc.ph, and copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, the scanned copies of their **written compliance** with the aforementioned jurisdictional requirements attaching therewith, methodically arranged and duly marked, the following:

- 1) The evidence of publication of the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing* including Annex "A" thereof, consisting of affidavit of the Editor or Business Manager of the newspaper where the same were published, and the complete issue of the said newspaper;
- 2) The evidence of actual posting of this *Order* and the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing* including Annex "A" thereof, consisting of certifications issued to that effect, signed by the aforementioned Governor, Mayors and LGU legislative bodies or their duly authorized representatives, bearing the seals of their offices;
- 3) The evidence of other means employed by Applicants to inform the consumers within INEC's franchise area of the filing of the *Joint Application*, their reasons therefor, and of the scheduled hearings thereon;
- 4) The evidence of receipt of copies of this *Order* and the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing* including Annex "A" thereof by the OSG, the COA, and the Committees on Energy of both Houses of Congress;
- 5) The evidence of receipt of copies of the *Joint Application* and its attachments, except those subject of a motion for confidential treatment of information, if any, by all those making requests therefor; and

- 6) Such other proofs of compliance with the requirements of the Commission.

Moreover, INEC and OINEC are hereby required to post on their bulletin boards, the scanned copies of the foregoing jurisdictional requirements, together with the newspaper publications and certifications issued by the concerned Offices of the Governor, Mayors and Local Legislative Bodies, and to submit proof of posting thereof.

Applicants INEC and OINEC, and all interested parties are also required to submit via e-mail at doCKET@erc.ph, and copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, **at least five (5) calendar days** before the date of the scheduled virtual hearing and Pre-trial Conference, their respective **Pre-Trial Briefs** containing, among others::

- 1) A summary of admitted facts and proposed stipulation of facts;
- 2) The issues to be tried or resolved;
- 3) The documents or exhibits to be presented, stating the purposes and proposed markings thereof, which must be attached to the Pre-Trial Brief; and
- 4) The names of the witnesses, with their written testimonies in a Judicial Affidavit form attached to the Pre-Trial Brief.

Applicants INEC and OINEC must ensure that all the documents or exhibits proposed to be presented have already been duly submitted to the Commission **at least five (5) calendar days** before the date of the schedule initial virtual hearing and Pre-trial Conference pursuant to the preceding paragraph.

Failure of INEC and OINEC to comply with the above requirements within the prescribed period shall be a ground for cancellation of the scheduled hearings.

Applicants INEC and OINEC must also be prepared to make an expository presentation of the instant *Joint Application*, aided by whatever communication medium that they may deem appropriate for the purpose, in order to put in plain words and explain, for the benefit of the consumers and other concerned parties, the nature of the *Joint*

Application with relevant information and pertinent details substantiating the reasons and justifications being cited in support thereof.

Applicants INEC and OINEC are hereby directed to file a copy of their **Expository Presentation** via e-mail at doctet@erc.ph, copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the scheduled virtual hearing. INEC and OINEC shall also be required, upon the request of any stakeholder, to provide an advance copy of their expository presentations, **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the scheduled virtual hearing.

Applicants INEC and OINEC are hereby directed to submit, through personal service, registered mail or ordinary mail/private courier, one (1) set of the original or certified true hard/printed copies of their Jurisdictional Compliance, Expository Presentation, Pre-trial Brief, and Judicial Affidavit/s of witness/es, within five (5) working days from the date that the same were electronically submitted, as reflected in the acknowledgement receipt e-mail sent by the Commission.

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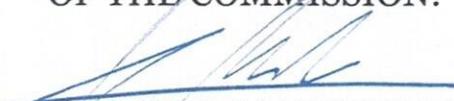
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Finally, INEC and OINEC, including their authorized representatives and witnesses, are hereby directed to provide the Commission, through legal.virtualhearings@erc.ph, their respective e-mail addresses upon receipt of this *Order*. The Commission will send the access link/s to the aforementioned hearing platform within five (5) working days prior to the scheduled hearings.

SO ORDERED.

Pasig City.

FOR AND BY AUTHORITY
OF THE COMMISSION:


ATTY. KRISHA MARIE T. BUELA¹
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LS: JPM/JGGW

¹ Office Order No. 71, Series of 2025 dated 20 August 2025, with the subject "Approving/Signing Authorities for Consumer Complaints Cases and Interlocutory Orders".

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