

Republic of the Philippines
ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
Pasig City

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
APPLICATION FOR THE
APPROVAL OF THE
EMERGENCY POWER
SUPPLY AGREEMENT
BETWEEN ILOCOS NORTE
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE,
INC. (INEC) AND THERMA
LUZON, INC. (TLI), WITH
PRAYER FOR
CONFIDENTIAL
TREATMENT OF
INFORMATION**

ERC CASE NO. 2026-045 RC

**ILOCOS NORTE ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC. (INEC)
AND THERMA LUZON, INC
(TLI),**

Promulgated:
May 7, 2026

Applicants.

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NOTICE OF VIRTUAL HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that on 07 April 2026, Ilocos Norte Electric Cooperative, Inc. (INEC) and Therma Luzon, Inc. (TLI) filed a *Joint Application*, dated 27 March 2026, seeking the Commission's approval of its Emergency Power Supply Agreement (EPSA), with prayer for confidential treatment of information.

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

The Commission has set the instant *Joint Application* for hearing, pursuant to the pertinent rules of the Commission, as follows:

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Date and Time	Platform	Activity
29 May 2026 (Friday) at nine in the morning (9:00 A.M.)	Microsoft Teams	Determination of compliance with jurisdictional requirements and Expository Presentation
05 June 2026 (Friday) at nine in the morning (9:00 A.M.)		Pre-Trial Conference and Presentation of Evidence

Accordingly, Applicants are hereby directed to mirror the virtual hearings, to be hosted by the Commission, 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, Applicants shall guarantee that, during the conduct of the expository presentation, the participation of the public shall not be impaired.

Any interested stakeholder may submit its comments and/or clarifications at least **one (1) calendar day** prior to the scheduled initial virtual hearing, via e-mail at doCKET@erc.ph, copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph. The Commission shall give priority to the stakeholders who have duly submitted their respective comments and/or clarifications, to discuss the same and propound questions during the course of the expository presentation.

Moreover, any person who has an interest in the subject matter of the instant case may become a party by filing with the Commission via e-mail at doCKET@erc.ph, and copy furnishing the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, a verified Petition to Intervene **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the date of the initial virtual hearing. The verified Petition to Intervene must follow the requirements under Rule 9 of the ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure, indicating therein the docket number and title of the case, and state the following:

- 1) The petitioner's name, mailing address, and e-mail address;
- 2) The nature of petitioner's interest in the subject matter of the proceeding and the way and manner in which such interest is affected by the issues involved in the proceeding; and

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- 3) A statement of the relief desired.

Likewise, all other persons who may want their views known to the Commission with respect to the subject matter of the case may file through e-mail at docket@erc.ph, and copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, their Opposition or Comment thereon **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the initial virtual hearing. Rule 9 of the ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure shall govern. No particular form of Opposition or Comment is required, but the document, letter, or writing should contain the following:

- 1) The name, mailing address, and e-mail address of the person;
- 2) A concise statement of the Opposition or Comment; and
- 3) The grounds relied upon.

All interested parties filing their Petition to Intervene, Opposition or Comment are required to submit the hard copies thereof through personal service, registered mail or ordinary mail/private courier, **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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Finally, all interested persons may be allowed to join the scheduled virtual hearings by providing the Commission, through legal.virtualhearings@erc.ph, their respective e-mail addresses and indicating therein the case number of the instant *Joint Application*. The Commission will send the access link/s to the aforementioned hearing platform within five (5) working days prior to the scheduled hearings.

WITNESS, the Honorable Chairperson and CEO **FRANCIS SATURNINO C. JUAN**, and the Honorable Commissioners **FLORESINDA G. BALDO-DIGAL**, **MARKO ROMEO L. FUENTES**, **AMANTE A. LIBERATO** and **PARIS G. REAL**, Energy Regulatory Commission, Pasig City.

FOR AND BY AUTHORITY
OF THE COMMISSION:

Maria Corazon C. Gines

ATTY. MARIA CORAZON C. GINES¹
Director III, Legal Service


LS: CCT/JGGW

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