

Republic of the Philippines
ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
Pasig City

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
APPLICATION FOR
APPROVAL OF THE
ANCILLARY SERVICES
PROCUREMENT
AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE NATIONAL GRID
CORPORATION OF THE
PHILIPPINES AND MORE
POWER BARGE INC., WITH
PRAYER FOR THE ISSUANCE
OF PROVISIONAL
AUTHORITY AND MOTION
FOR CONFIDENTIAL
TREATMENT OF
INFORMATION,**

ERC CASE NO. 2026-094 RC

**NATIONAL GRID
CORPORATION OF THE
PHILIPPINES (NGCP) AND
MORE POWER BARGE INC.,**

Promulgated:
June 30, 2026

Applicants.

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ORDER

On 03 June 2026, National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP) and More Power Barge Inc. (MPBI) filed an *Application* dated 25 May 2026, seeking the Commission’s approval of their Ancillary Services Procurement Agreement (ASPA), with prayer for the issuance of a provisional authority and motion for confidential treatment of information.

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

Finding the *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:

Date and Time	Platform	Activity
31 July 2026 (Friday) at nine o'clock in the morning (9:00 A.M.)	Microsoft Teams	Determination of compliance with jurisdictional requirements and Expository Presentation
07 August 2026 (Friday) at nine o'clock in the morning (9:00 A.M.)		Pre-Trial Conference and Presentation of Evidence

RELATIVE THERETO, Applicants are hereby directed to:

- 1) Cause the publication of the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing*, including Annex "A" thereof, in two (2) newspapers of nationwide circulation in the Philippines at their 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 virtual hearing;
- 2) Furnish with copies of this *Order* and the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing*, including Annex "A" thereof, the Offices of the Provincial Governor, the Mayors, and their respective Local Government Unit (LGU) legislative bodies where the Applicants principally operate for the appropriate posting thereof on their respective bulletin boards;
- 3) Inform the consumers within the affected area, by any other means available and appropriate, of the filing of the *Application*, their reasons therefor, and of the scheduled virtual hearings;
- 4) Furnish with copies of this *Order* and the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing*, including Annex "A" thereof, 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 *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, Applicants 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 the following methodically arranged and duly marked documents:

- 1) The evidence of publication of the attached *Notice of Virtual Hearing*, including Annex “A” thereof, consisting of affidavits of the Editors or Business Managers of the newspapers where the same were published, and the complete issues of the said newspapers;
- 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 the affected area of the filing of the *Application*, their reasons therefor, and of the scheduled hearings;
- 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 *Application* and its attachments, by all those making requests therefor, if any; and
- 6) Such other proof of compliance with the requirements of the Commission.

Moreover, NGCP and MPBI are hereby required to post on their bulletin boards, the scanned copies of the foregoing jurisdictional requirements and to submit the proof of posting thereof.

Applicants NGCP and MPBI 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 from attached to the Pre-Trial Brief.

Applicants NGCP and MPBI 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 scheduled virtual hearing and Pre-Trial Conference pursuant to the preceding paragraph.

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

Applicants NGCP and MPBI must also be prepared to make an expository presentation of the *Application*, aided by whatever communication medium that it 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 *Application*. Relevant information and pertinent details substantiating the reasons and justifications for the *Application* must be cited in support thereof.

Applicants NGCP and MPBI are hereby directed to file a copy of their Expository Presentation via e-mail at doCKET@erc.ph, copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the scheduled virtual hearing. Applicants are also required to provide a copy of their Expository Presentation to any stakeholder requesting therefor **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the scheduled virtual hearing.

Applicants NGCP and MPBI and interested parties are hereby directed to submit, through personal service, registered or ordinary mail/private courier, all the pleadings and required submissions, **within five (5) working days** from the date the same were electronically submitted, as reflected in the acknowledgment receipt e-mail sent by the Commission.

Finally, Applicants, including their authorized representatives and witnesses, and interested parties who wish to attend the scheduled virtual hearings 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:

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* Authority granted during Commission Meeting on 20 August 2025.

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