

Republic of the Philippines
ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
Pasig City

**IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT
APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL
OF THE POWER SUPPLY
AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO
BY AND BETWEEN URBAN
ENERGY DEVELOPMENT
CORP. AND MORE ELECTRIC
POWER CORPORATION, WITH
PRAYER FOR CONFIDENTIAL
TREATMENT OF
INFORMATION AND PRAYER
FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A
PROVISIONAL AUTHORITY OR
INTERIM RELIEF**

ERC CASE NO. 2025-206 RC

**URBAN ENERGY
DEVELOPMENT CORP. AND
MORE ELECTRIC POWER
CORPORATION,**

Applicants.

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Promulgated:
February 02, 2026

ORDER

On 11 December 2025, the More Electric Power Corporation (MEPC) and Urban Energy Development Corp. (UEDC) filed a *Joint Application*, dated 02 November 2025, seeking the Commission's approval of their Power Supply Agreement (PSA), with prayers for confidential treatment of information and issuance of a 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 said *Joint Application* to be sufficient in form and with the required fees having been paid, the Commission hereby sets the same for determination of compliance with the jurisdictional requirements, expository presentation, Pre-Trial Conference, and presentation of evidence on the following dates and online platform for

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the conduct thereof, pursuant to Resolution No. 09, Series of 2020¹ and Resolution No. 01, Series of 2021² (ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure):

Date	Platform	Activity
06 March 2026 (Friday) at nine o'clock in the morning (9:00 A.M.)	Microsoft Teams Application	Determination of compliance with the jurisdictional requirements and expository presentation
13 March 2026 (Friday) at nine o'clock in the morning (9:00 A.M.)		Pre-Trial Conference and presentation of evidence

Accordingly, Applicants are hereby directed to host the virtual hearings at **MEPC's principal office located at GST Corporate Center, Quezon St., Brgy. Sampaguita, Iloilo City**, as the designated venue for the conduct thereof, and ensure that the same is open to the public. Moreover, the Applicants shall guarantee that, during the conduct of the expository presentation, the participation of the public shall not be impaired.

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 initial 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 the Local Government Unit (LGU) legislative bodies within MEPC's franchise area for the appropriate posting thereof on their respective bulletin boards;

¹ A Resolution Adopting the Guidelines Governing Electronic Applications, Filings and Virtual Hearings Before the Energy Regulatory Commission.

² A Resolution Adopting the Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Energy Regulatory Commission.

- 3) Inform the consumers within MEPC's franchise area, by any other means available and appropriate, of the filing of the *Joint Application*, the reasons therefor, and of the scheduled virtual hearings thereon;
- 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 *Joint Application* and its attachments, except those subject of a motion for confidential treatment of information, all those making requests therefor, if any, 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, 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 affidavits of the Editors or Business Managers of the newspapers where the said *Notice of Virtual Hearing* was 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 the Applicants to inform the consumers within MEPC's franchise area of the filing of the *Joint Application*, the 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, by all those making requests therefor, if any; and
- 6) Such other proof of compliance with the requirements of the Commission.

Moreover, Applicants 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, 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 therefor, which should also be attached to the Pre-Trial Brief; and
- 4) The number and names of the witnesses, with their written testimonies in a Judicial Affidavit form attached to the Pre-Trial Brief.

Applicants 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 Applicants to comply with the above requirements within the prescribed period shall be a ground for cancellation of the scheduled hearings.

Applicants 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 consumers and other concerned parties, the nature of the *Joint Application*. Relevant information and pertinent details substantiating the reasons and justifications for the *Joint Application* must be cited in support thereof.

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

Applicants are further directed to submit, either through personal service, registered mail or ordinary mail/private courier, one (1) set of the original or certified true hard copies of their jurisdictional compliance, Expository Presentation, Pre-Trial Brief, and Judicial Affidavits of witnesses, **within five (5) working days** from the date that the same were electronically submitted, as reflected in the acknowledgment receipt e-mail sent by the Commission.

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Finally, Applicants, 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:

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* Authority granted pursuant to Office Order No. 71, Series of 2025.

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