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**REQUEST FOR MARKET RULES AND MANUAL AMENDMENT**

Proposals made only under this prescribed form shall be accepted and considered as submitted.

This request for amendments is be submitted to:

**REM Governance Committee (RGC)**

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# PROPONENT’S INFORMATION

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# AMENDMENT INFORMATION

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Proposed Amendments to the** (please tick the box): | | | REM Rules | | | REM Market Manual: | *[Title of the Manual and Issue No.]* | | Topic: |  | | **Proposed Classification of Amendments** (please tick the box):  General  Minor  Urgent  If Urgent, reason for urgency:  The RGC should have a separate representative from RES. | | |

# SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

This proposed rule change seeks to include Retail Electricity Suppliers (RES) as a separate member of the REM Governance Committee (RGC).

# BACKGROUND

In the existing draft of the REM rules, there is only one representative for both REM Generators and RES. This proposal intends to add a representative for RES separate from REM generators in the RGC.

# THE PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

As Mandated Participants who will actively participate in the registration and trading of RECs, representation in the REM Governance Committee would be necessary for RES, since the RES will be able to provide inputs and suggestions in the procedures governing the trading of RECs. Each of the RES also has a responsibility as a Mandated Participant to represent the customers and end users that benefit from their services.

The interests and concerns of the RES and REM Generators are also not necessarily the same in all instances. Thus, the proposed rule change will ensure that all interests and concerns of the RES and REM Generators are equally represented in the RGC.

# BACKGROUND AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPONENT

The Retail Electricity Suppliers Association of the Philippines (“RESA”) is a non-stock corporation formed in 2010 to promote the common interests and growth of retail electricity suppliers in the Philippines as a beneficiary association operating for the exclusive benefit of its members. RESA aims to be a prime mover in setting high industry standards for service and facilities for retail electricity customers through providing a forum for discussion with members and relevant government institutions for the better implementation of the Retail Competition and Open Access in the Philippines.

RESA is led by Warren Patrick Belvis (San Miguel Electric Corporation) as President, Raymond Carl R. Roseus (Aboitiz Energy Solutions, Inc.) as Vice President, Rommel L. Yap (MPower) as Corporate Secretary, and Santiago S. Malacca (TeaM (Philippines) Energy Corporation) as Treasurer. As of March 25, 2021, RESA has thirty-two corporate members.

RESA holds office in Bonifacio Global City, Taguig.

# CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This proposal seeks to add a separate representative for the Retail Electricity Suppliers (RES) to the REM Governance Committee. The RES are Mandated Participants to the registration and trading RECs and thus should be well represented in the RGC.

# REFERENCES

Annex to DC2019-12-0016 (Draft REM Rules) accessed last March 23, 2021

# MATRIX OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT

* 1. **REM RULES**

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| 1. **Title** | 1. **Clause** | 1. **Provision** | 1. **Proposed Amendment** | 1. **Rationale** | 1. **Comment** | 1. **Proposed Revised Wording Based on Comment in Column “F”**   **Please follow this format:**  ~~Original Provision~~ **Proposed Amendment** | 1. **Proponent’s Response** | 1. **RGC Decision** |
|  |  |  |  |  | *This space is provided for your general comments if there are any.* |  |  |  |
| 1.3.2. Composition of the REM Governance Committee | 1.3.2.1 | The RGC shall be made up of five (5) members, consisting of  (a) One representative from the Registrar;  (b) One (1) independent member who shall be selected from the independent members of the PEM Board;  (c) One representative from the Private DU;  (d) One representative from the Electric Cooperatives; and  (e) One representative from the REM Generators and Retail Electricity Suppliers. | The RGC shall be made up of ~~five (5)~~ **six (6)** members, consisting of  (a) One representative from the Registrar;  (b) One (1) independent member who shall be selected from  the independent members of the PEM Board;  (c) One representative from the Private DU;  (d) One representative from the Electric Cooperatives; and  (e) One representative from the REM Generators ~~and Retail Electricity Suppliers.~~**; and**  **(f) One representative form the Retail Electricity Suppliers** | As a registered member in the REM, the RES has actual and substantial interest in matters that affect a RES membership, imposition of conditions or penalties, as well as in the trading of its RECs. Furthermore, as a Mandated Participant *(as referred in Section 2.4.2.1 (b))* who will actively and directly become a member and participate in the registration and trading of Renewable Energy Certificates (“REC”), representation in the REM Governance Committee would be necessary to the RES and to the Renewable Energy Market (“RE Market”), since the RES will be able to provide inputs and suggestions in the procedures governing the trading of RECs. |  |  |  |  |

* 1. **REM MANUAL (INDICATE MANUAL TITLE AND ISSUE NUMBER)**

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| **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** | **N/A** |