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1	Jesusito G. Morillos	Chairperson, Independent	RCC
2	Jose Roderick F. Fernando	Member, Independent	RCC
3	Dixie Anthony R. Banzon	Member, Generation Sector	RCC
4	Cherry A. Javier	Member, Generation Sector	RCC
5	Jessie B. Victorio	Member (Alternate), Generation Sector	RCC
6	Mark D. Habana	Member, Generation Sector	RCC
7	Ryan S. Morales	Member, Distribution Sector	RCC
8	Nelson M. Dela Cruz	Member, Distribution Sector	RCC
9	Lorreto H. Rivera	Member, Supply Sector	RCC
10	Dennis R. Paragas	Member (Alternate), Supply Sector	RCC
11	John Paul S. Grayda	Member, Market Operator	RCC
12	Karen A. Varquez	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
13	Dianne L. De Guzman	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
14	Mari Josephine C. Enriquez	RCC Secretariat	PEMC
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16	Christin Paula E. Delgado	OCGO Executive Assistant	PEMC
17	Armie Eloisa V. Exporna	Market Monitoring Specialist	PEMC
18	Jake Jerald M. Gines	Market Assessment Specialist	PEMC
19	Melanie Papa	Observer	DOE
20	Marvin Jay A. Masanda	Observer	DOE
21	Jhannelyn D. Marasigan	Observer	DOE
22	Chiara Angela LB. Blanco	Observer	ERC
23	Vladimere B. Pulmones	Observer	ERC
24	Maranatha C. Estalilla	Observer	ERC
25	Josell F. Co	Proponent	IEMOP
26	Arjon B. Valencia	Proponent	IEMOP
27	Lilibeth Grace L. Vetus	Proponent	IEMOP
28	Charles Phillip R. Valerio	Proponent	IEMOP
29	Joseph Emmanuelle B. Casco	Proponent	IEMOP
30	Katrina A. Garcia-Amuyot	Proponent	IEMOP
31	Lex Magtalas	Observer	APC
32	Darryl Lon A. Ortiz	Commenter	NGCP
33	Michael Q. Javier	Commenter	NGCP
34	Mark Cedrick Jorell T. Lustado	Commenter	NGCP
35	Ivy M. Garcia	Commenter	NGCP



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37	Daryl Dennise D.G. Estrella	Commenter	MERALCO
38	Roma Angela P. Hofilena	Commenter	MERALCO
39	Sheryl A. Castro	Commenter	MERALCO
40	Angelica Diane B. Monteza-Sy	Commenter	MERALCO
41	Julius M. Evangelista	Commenter	MERALCO
42	Melchor Mateo L. Luber	Commenter	MERALCO
43	Modesto D. Dayon, Jr.	Commenter	MERALCO
44	Carmen Grace S. Ramos	Commenter	MERALCO
45	Ricardo Carmelo D. Buenafe	Commenter	MERALCO
46	Manuel Luis N. Zagala	Commenter	MERALCO
47	Marian Beatriz T. Fajardo	Commenter	ACEN
48	Belle Enriquez	Commenter	ACEN
49	Ulah Urubio	Commenter	ACEN
50	Ela Mina	Commenter	ACEN
51	Shin Lopez	Commenter	ACEN
52	Wax Estrada	Commenter	ACEN
53	Gian Karla C. Gutierrez	Commenter	FIRSTGEN
54	Moses Angelo Garcia	Commenter	Kratos Res, Inc.

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I. Call to Order	<p>The meeting was conducted via Microsoft Teams.</p> <p>The meeting was presided by Atty. Jesusito G. Morillos (Chairperson/Independent) and was called to order at 09:02 AM.</p>
II. Roll Call of Attendees	There were nine (9) principal members, and two (2) alternate members present.
III. Adoption of Agenda	The agenda was adopted as presented.
IV. Deliberation of the Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules, Retail Rules and Market Manuals for the Implementation of Electric Retail Aggregation Program (ERAP)	<p><u>Presenters:</u> Ms. Dianne L. De Guzman (Secretariat) and Atty. Lilibeth Grace L. Vetus (IEMOP/Proponent)</p> <p><u>Action Requested:</u> For discussion and for endorsement to RCC en-banc</p> <p><u>Materials:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annex A – Presentation Material on IEMOP's Proposed Amendments to Operationalize the ERAP Annex B – Matrix of the Proposed Amendments to the WESM Rules Annex C – Matrix of the Proposed Amendments to the WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension and De-registration and Procedures <p><u>Proceedings:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atty. Lilibeth Grace L. Vetus (IEMOP) presented a refresher on the proposal (Annex A). As part of her presentation, she shared that for the supposed start of the retail aggregation on 26 December 2022 based on the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) Resolution No. 04, Series of 2022 (Rules for the Electric Retail Aggregation Program), there is no registered Retail Aggregated Group yet pending ERC's responses to various implementation matters that were clarified by IEMOP through a letter dated 17 August 2022. <p>Below were the questions raised during the refresher presentation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Roma Angela P. Hofilena (MERALCO) verified if the criteria in determining contiguous areas were clarified with the ERC noting that the criteria were only included in the draft rules but not in the final retail aggregation rules. <p>Atty. Chiara Angela LB. Blanco (ERC) responded through chat that the Rules already enumerated what are those considered contiguous. Except for those not falling under any of the geographic locations enumerated, such will be subject to ERC approval.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> CGO Fortunato C. Leynes inquired on the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Whether the interval meters in retail aggregation be installed in parallel with the existing Distribution Utility's (DU) meter; and

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	<p>ii. Which entity between the Customer or Retail Metering Service Provider (RMSP) will bear the cost for changes in the metering installation.</p> <p>Atty. Vetus responded that as to the entity that will bear the cost of metering installation, it was not stipulated in the abovementioned ERC Resolution but she clarified that there may be other issuances from the ERC that governs this concern.</p> <p>On CGO Leynes' first query, Atty. Blanco clarified through chat that only one meter will be installed, and the existing meter will be replaced with the interval meter. While on the second concern, she confirmed that the DU will be the one to bear the installation of appropriate interval meter to each Aggregated Member facility. In addition, she informed that according to the Distribution Services and Open Access Rules, the one that procures the meter shall have the first option to be the owner.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. De Guzman reminded the RCC that the proposal was originally submitted as an urgent amendment but certified by the RCC as a general amendment due to the confirmation from the ERC about the issues on supply and delivery of meters, and the pilot implementation of the program that cannot be conducted since the Aggregated Group cannot find a Retail Electricity Supplier (RES). <p>With regards to the pilot implementation of the Retail Aggregation scheme between the University of the Philippines and MPower (MERALCO's Local RES), Mr. Ryan S. Morales (MERALCO) and Atty. Blanco provided updates. According to them, it is yet to be pushed through, and the supply agreement is for finalization. Atty. Blanco further clarified that one of the factors on the deferment was the difference between the WESM price and the existing Retail Supply Contract price, which positive price difference may be charged to the captive market.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On the other note, Chairperson Morillos inquired on how the wheeling charges can impact the pricing for grid-connected customers. <p>Mr. Manuel Luis N. Zagala (MERALCO) responded that for the Retail Competition and Open Access (RCOA) and Green Energy Option Program (GEOP), the retail wheeling rates are based on the ERC-approved rates. The DU bills the same to the Retail Suppliers under the Distribution Wheeling Service Agreement but it will still be dependent on the individual meter data in terms of kilowatt-hour consumption and peak demand. Correspondingly, it is the retailer that passes through the rates to the end-users.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior to the line-by-line discussions, Ms. De Guzman informed the RCC that during the prescribed commenting period on the proposal, comments were received from four (4) parties, namely, Philippine Electricity Market Corporation (PEMC), Manila Electric Company (MERALCO), AC Energy Corporation (ACEN), and National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP).

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	<p><u>WESM Rules (Annex B)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atty. Vetus discussed IEMOP's proposal and responses on the comments received. On IEMOP's recommendation to harmonize the definition of Contestable Customer (CC) in the WESM Rules and WESM Registration Manual relative to ERC Resolution No. 1, Series of 2023 but only define the same in the WESM Rules, below were the insights raised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atty. Vetus informed the RCC that IEMOP has ongoing rules change proposal on No Outstanding Balance. In line with this, she requested for the Secretariat's assistance in harmonizing the definition of terms which include the CC. She mentioned that based on the ERC Resolution No. 1, Series of 2023, the CC refers to the end-users that have already switched to RCOA. On the other hand, eligible end-users have not yet switched and are not yet considered in the definition of Retail Customers. Atty. Blanco confirmed that Retail Customers pertain to those who already switched, while qualified but not yet migrated end-users are captive customers. Ms. Hofilena requested to revise the definition of Retail Customer based on Atty. Blanco's confirmation to avoid confusion. Ms. Karen A. Varquez (Secretariat) apprised the RCC that the mentioned ongoing rules change proposal on No Outstanding Balance is still on its commenting period. Ms. Katrina A. Garcia-Amuyot (IEMOP) shared for the Secretariat's reference in harmonization that the qualified customers that entered contract may not necessarily be already switched. Considering various inputs received, the RCC adopted the revised definition of Retail Customer as follows, noting that the definition is still subject for Secretariat's evaluation: <p>Retail Customer – An electricity end-user that is qualified to contract electricity supply from Suppliers, in accordance with qualifications issued by the ERC and has switch to its respective markets either in the capacity of a Contestable Customer, GEOP End-User as prescribed in Republic Act No. 9513, or an Aggregated Group. For clarity, the term "Retail Customer" shall collectively pertain to "Contestable Customer", "GEOP End-user" and Aggregated Group unless the context requires specific reference individually.</p> <p><u>WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension and De-registration and Procedures (Annex C)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atty. Vetus apprised the RCC that the DOE-approved amendments in GEOP were also reflected in the proposed amendments in Retail Aggregation, for harmonization. IEMOP initially confirmed that the End-User (either GEOP or RCOA) or Aggregated Group that is connected to the transmission system shall register in the WESM as an indirect WESM member, while those distribution-connected End-Users or Aggregated Groups are not required to become WESM members.

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	<p>In addition, Atty. Vetus opined that for the RCOA End-User, it should specifically refer to CC. Meanwhile, for the registration as WESM members of Aggregated Groups which are connected to the grid, IEMOP needs to revisit and assess its effect on the Market Network Model (MNM). Hence, separate discussions should be conducted by IEMOP internally, and the RCC will be updated on the ways forward on the matter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Varquez suggested IEMOP to study the effect of giving the End-Users and Aggregated Groups the choice to register as direct WESM members, i.e., not limiting their participation to indirect WESM members only. ➤ Atty. Vetus also advised the RCC that it is recommended for the aggregated members in an Aggregated Group to have the same connection, i.e., directly-connected or DU-connected. The rationale is for practicality and accuracy in reading meters and incorporation in modelling. ➤ Atty. Vetus also opined that based on the Retail Rules on Aggregation Program, an aggregated member need not to be a WESM member whether direct or indirect. However, based on the WESM Rules, no entity shall be connected to the grid unless it is a WESM member for proper accounting of withdrawal and injection of energy. Hence, confirmation on this matter from the ERC and Department of Energy (DOE) is needed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Section 3.5.1.4, guidelines of the enrollment of retail customers, below were the discussions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Dennis R. Paragas (Supply) suggested replacing the “Market Operator (MO)” with “Central Registration Body (CRB)” for the entity where the RES enrolls the CC. ➤ Atty. Vetus responded that the intent is for enrollment in the WESM. Hence, it should be enrollment with the MO not with the CRB. ➤ In cases of enrollment with the MO, Chairperson Morillos asked if the RES should be the direct WESM member and the CC should be the indirect WESM member. ➤ Atty. Vetus noted to confirm from IEMOP’s registration team if the current registration of CCs is only indirect. ➤ Ms. Lorreto H. Rivera (Supply) requested clarification if the registered RE Suppliers cannot enroll the CCs that transitioned to become GEOP End-Users since there is a requirement that GEOP End-Users that are connected to the transmission system shall be enrolled with the MO. ➤ Atty. Vetus responded that for the CCs that are DU-connected and only registered as CC with the CRB, they can be a direct WESM member, but they do not have an option to be an indirect WESM member. In that case, the CC will be the one to enroll its contract. The no option to be indirect is in view of the DOE Department Circular No. DC2021-06-0012. However, if they were already CCs prior to the effectivity of the DC2021-06-0012, the CC’s counterparty RES shall be the one to enroll the contract and the WESM Rules on indirect WESM member shall be the one to govern the said setup.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Josell F. Co (IEMOP) provided a suggestion through chat that for the enrollment of retail customers, only WESM-registered RES may enroll with the MO the CCs that are connected to the transmission system. A DU-connected CC may be registered to the WESM if it is registered as a direct member. • On the presence of the term “Wholesale Aggregator” in some of the provisions in the subject Manual, Ms. Rivera suggested deleting the same due to its inapplicability to the current setup. The deletion was also confirmed by the Secretariat per ERC Resolution No. 12, Series of 2015, Resolution to Discontinue the Wholesale Aggregator Scheme as Embodied in the Rules of the Registration of the Wholesale Aggregators. • On the question of NGCP in the Glossary of Terms on whether the RES is an aggregator, Atty. Vetus responded that IEMOP is proposing for an aggregator to have a separate registration in the WESM. Retail Aggregators have additional requirements to comply on top of the usual requirements for RES. <p><u>Retail Rules (Annex C)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Section 1.3.5, Mr. Paragas requested a clarification if there is a provision requiring that all aggregated members should be at the same Market Trading Node (MTN) since MERALCO notes that the said members could be at the same franchise area but with different MTN and considering that a single billing scheme applies for each aggregator. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Atty. Vetus relayed that the above concern of MERALCO is same as IEMOP’s concern on the WESM membership. Thus, a consultative meeting with ERC should be undertaken first by IEMOP. The RCC will correspondingly be updated by IEMOP on the results of the said meeting. Meanwhile, Atty. Vetus asked Mr. Paragas if there would be an issue when the MTNs of the members in Aggregated Group are not co-located. ➤ Mr. Paragas explained that the calculation on the Line Rental (LR) portion could be difficult. ➤ On the other hand, Ms. Ulah Urubio (ACEN) suggested to complete the definition of the contiguous area based on the Retail Aggregation Rules issued by the ERC as follows: <p>Contiguous Areas are areas which are within the same boundaries such as subdivisions, villages, Special Economic Zones, business districts, other similarly situated End-Users in which supply of electricity can be measured through metering device, and other geographical areas approved by ERC upon request made.</p> • On Section 1.4.1.1, Atty. Vetus asked MERALCO representatives if their proposed revised wording is related to GEOP since the IEMOP’s proposal only covers Retail Aggregation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Atty. Morallos provisionally approved IEMOP’s original proposed wording while awaiting confirmation from MERALCO.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On Section 2.2.2.1, the proposal of IEMOP was adopted with slight modification based on MERALCO's proposed revision, thus, the RCC approved the revised provision as follows: Contestable Customers – a certificate of contestability issued by the ERC, or monthly billing statement by the Network Service Provider indicating that the end-user has qualified to be a Contestable Customer, or such other certifications as may be allowed under applicable laws or rules. The foregoing certifications shall also allow the Contestable Customer to become a voluntary Participant in the WESM. On Section 2.2.2.3, for PEMC's comment on what will be the basis of Retail Aggregators in certifying that the Aggregated Group has met the threshold for contestability (e.g., load forecast, actual billing statement), IEMOP responded that it shall be the responsibility of the Retail Aggregator to conduct due diligence to ensure that the Aggregated Group has met criteria for aggregation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On PEMC's query if there will be a certification from the DU/Network Service Provider (NSP) or certifications from multiple DU/NSP in cases when Aggregated Group covers multiple DU franchise areas, IEMOP responded that pursuant to Section 3 of ERC Reso No. 4, S. of 2022, End-Users joining an Aggregated Group should be located within the franchise area of the DU. In addition, Atty. Vetus clarified that for the purpose of implementation, a certification from the Retail Aggregator would be required to ensure that the threshold has been met. On ACEN's suggestion for the DU to come up with an assumed load factor per type of aggregated member (Residential, Commercial, Industrial), i.e., 1 month of consolidated data (within a 6 month period) to certify eligibility (For confirmation of Product on the minimum number of months), Atty. Vetus shared that one of the suggestions is for the DU and Retail Aggregator to have coordination on gathering the required data for purposes of determining the threshold. Further, IEMOP referred to DOE and ERC the recommendation of ACEN. Chairperson Morillos inquired in cases wherein the Aggregated Group deviated from the threshold. Atty. Vetus responded that when a member opts out from the Aggregated Group, it cannot affect the threshold of the group. The group can stay except in cases of fraud during aggregation. On Section 2.2.4, NGCP commented that a certified CC continuing to be served by the DU (except by one acting as a Supplier of Last Resort (SOLR) defeats the purpose of contestability. Hence, NGCP requested to clarify "electing to source from a RES and the WESM". According to them, a CC is a retail customer, hence, purchasing from the WESM indicates a wholesale transaction. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atty. Vetus requested NGCP to expound their comment. Having no NGCP commenters in the meeting, Chairperson Morillos requested the Secretariat to coordinate with NGCP on the matter. On Section 2.2.6, NGCP inquired if the Aggregated Group can be a direct member since the group is already a CC.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Atty. Vetus responded that IEMOP will get back to the RCC on this item. • On Section 2.2.7, PEMC asked if an Aggregated Group can be formed or registered with the CRB without the Retail Aggregator. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ IEMOP responded that Aggregated Groups can be formed even without a Retail Aggregator, but they can only be registered with the CRB upon submission of switch request by their elected Retail Aggregator. Atty. Vetus further explained that based on the ERC Rules, the Aggregated Group should have a Retail Aggregator wherein the latter determines the existence of a qualified former to participate in Retail Aggregation Program. • On Section 2.2.8, IEMOP asked MERALCO's rationale on adding "Eligibility Letter from the Network Service Provider" as one of the bases in the registration of CCs since it is not mentioned in ERC Reso. No. 12, S. of 2020. Atty. Vetus also apprised the RCC that currently, IEMOP refers to the attestation submitted by the NSP for purposes of switching. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Hofilena explained that the Eligibility Letter from NSP is issued to CCs that already migrated to Contestable Retail Electricity Market, but they have updates on their contestability since NSP's bill is no longer issued to them. She further clarified that the said letter was consulted from and accepted by the ERC in lieu of the monthly billing statement. ➤ Atty. Vetus deferred to the RCC the decision on whether to adopt MERALCO's proposed insertion. ➤ Atty. Morillos requested the Secretariat to flag and note the proposed insertion by MERALCO of the phrase mentioned. ➤ Ms. Amuyot supported Atty. Vetus' statement that in switching, the Eligibility Letter is not requested since the attestation from the NSP already serves. On the other hand, for the Retail Aggregation, the one to certify or provide eligibility is the Retail Aggregator. • On Section 2.3.1.1 (g), MERALCO commented that based on its previous clarifications and coordination with IEMOP, the relevant requirement necessary to be submitted by the NSP on newly qualified end-users within its franchise area that it deems to have already met the demand threshold to participate as CC and/or GEOP End-User is the grid off-take metering point. The RCOA/GEOP SEIN is generated by IEMOP and not by the NSPs. Hence, for clarity, it is deemed best to replace the information on item (g) to Grid Off-take Metering Point. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Amuyot confirmed MERALCO's comment. • On Section 2.3.1.1 (i), MERALCO proposed to revise the provision deleting some phrases that were already included in the DOE DC No. DC2023-01-0004 (DOE DC on GEOP). In this regard, Atty. Vetus consulted the RCC on the way forward. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Hofilena clarified that the issue was already resolved during the IEMOP and MERALCO's meeting on 27 May 2023. Hence, adopting IEMOP's original proposed wording is amenable.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Section 2.4.7, MERALCO asked what the supplemental registration requirements are contemplated in the provision. The list of these additional requirements and the rationale or circumstance for their requirement should be explained in detail in this provision. Otherwise, the supplemental registration requirements mentioned should be deleted. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Atty. Vetus explained that the mentioned supplemental registration requirement in the section pertains to the Supplemental Market Participants Agreement (SMPA) with proof of authority of signatory to cover Retail Aggregation if already registered SOLR for RCOA, and vice-versa. Further, IEMOP has already a template for the said SMPA. ➤ Since supplemental registration requirements were mentioned again in Section 2.4.10, Ms. Hofilena inquired if IEMOP will issue an Advisory to itemize these requirements for the existing RMSPs wishing to serve other Retail Customer categories. ➤ Ms. Amuyot clarified that Advisories for both RCOA and GEOP are already available in the IEMOP website. For the Retail Aggregation, once clarification on certain items is already provided, IEMOP will correspondingly issue a separate Advisory. • On Sections 2.5.1 and 2.5.2, PEMC suggested to merge the said sections since they state the same requirements on the development of a Market Manual. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ IEMOP agreed with PEMC's suggestion. ➤ On the other hand, MERALCO queried if the Aggregated Group will be required to formally organize themselves and if the process will be laid down in the Market Manual. With that, consultation with the ERC regarding the legal standing or personality of an Aggregated Group can be undertaken. ➤ Atty. Vetus responded that a Secretary's Certificate or Special Power of Attorney, or other document that is acceptable under civil and corporation laws as sufficient authorization for the authorized representative to act on behalf of the Aggregated Group, shall be accepted by IEMOP. The above-mentioned consultation on legal standing will also address how the Aggregated Groups will contract with their respective Service Providers. ➤ Relatively, Ms. Angelica Diane B. Monteza-Sy (MERALCO) also shared through chat that MERALCO has a pending inquiry with ERC regarding the constitution of the Aggregated Group as the documentary/legal requirements would depend on how they will be constituted (i.e., would it be required that the Aggregated group formally organize themselves?). ➤ Ms. Hofilena requested clarification from IEMOP if it is possible to itemize the documents that will support the identity of the Aggregated Group. ➤ Atty. Vetus responded that like in RCOA and GEOP, a proof of authority is required to ensure that the personnel being transacted with by IEMOP is an authorized representative. ➤ For clarity, Ms. Hofilena suggested including 1) the phrase "proof of authority" as a requirement, and 2) it is up to the Customer to determine the form of the proof of authority that will be provided. ➤ Atty. Vetus deferred to the RCC the resolution of MERALCO's comment. ➤ Atty. Morillos requested the Secretariat to note MERALCO's comment.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On Section 3.2.1.8, IEMOP agreed with PEMC's comment to revise "Switching of Aggregated Members from one Aggregated Group to another" to "Transfer of Aggregated Members from one Aggregated Group to another" to avoid confusion with switching to another suppliers. On Section 3.2.2.1, MERALCO suggested that the concerned industry participants that will be using the Central Registration and Settlement System (CRSS) be given proper orientation and notification ahead of time before the commencement of electronic-based switching, considering that issuance of the audit software certificate of the system enhancements is internal to IEMOP. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atty. Vetus inquired if the conduct of Focus Group Discussions or issuance of Advisory would suffice MERALCO's suggestion. Ms. Hofilena responded that any means would be acceptable as long as the industry participants concerned be informed ahead prior the start of the electronic-based switching. Atty. Morillos concurred with the issuance of Advisory from the relevant body. Likewise, the members of the Aggregated Group can have a protocol. <p>Other clerical comments received throughout the proposal were also adopted.</p> <p>Due to time constraints and deliberating only one-third (1/3) of the matrix of comments, Atty. Morillos raised that the proposal is not ready to be presented to the plenary during the 214th RCC (Regular) Meeting on 28 April 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. De Guzman agreed with Atty. Morillos. She also noted that the agreements during the meeting, as well as the items that need MO's action will be provided to IEMOP for its reference.
V. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.

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PROPOSED URGENT AMENDMENTS TO OPERATIONALIZE THE RETAIL AGGREGATION PROGRAM

FOR THE RULES CHANGE COMMITTEE



THE PROPONENT

- The proponent is the Independent Electricity Market Operator of the Philippines, Inc. (IEMOP)
- IEMOP is the Market Operator of the WESM and the Central Registration Body for the RCOA, GEOP, and Retail Aggregation Program.

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- For approval of the urgent amendments

Background

LEGAL BASIS



R.A. 9136 (Electric Power Industry Reform Act)

Section 31. Retail Competition and Open Access

xxx Upon the initial implementation of open access, the ERC shall allow all electricity end-users with a monthly average peak demand of at least one megawatt (1MW) for the preceding twelve (12) months to be the contestable market. Two (2) years thereafter, the threshold level for the contestable market shall be reduced to seven hundred fifty kilowatts (750kW). At this level, aggregators shall be allowed to supply electricity to end-users whose aggregate demand within a contiguous area is at least seven hundred fifty kilowatts (750kW). xxx



ERC Resolution No. 04, Series of 2022 (Rules for the Electric Retail Aggregation Program)

- To establish standardized rules and procedures governing the aggregation of electricity requirements of End-Users
- To prescribe and clarify the requirements, conditions, eligibility, qualifications and disqualifications of participants in the Electric Retail Aggregation Program
- **Start of retail aggregation: 26 December 2022**

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RETAIL AGGREGATION 7

ERC RESOLUTION NO. 04, SERIES OF 2022


SALIENT FEATURES

-  Existing rules on RCOA shall apply to Retail Aggregation
-  Retail Aggregator shall have a RES License and register as a Direct WESM Member
-  Aggregated Groups shall be composed of end-users within a Contiguous Area
-  Retail MSPs shall install interval meters for each Aggregated Member and submit aggregated data to the CRB


Overview of the Retail Aggregation Program




PROGRAMS FOR ELECTRICITY RETAILING IN THE PHILIPPINES



RETAIL COMPETITION AND OPEN ACCESS (RCOA)
End-Users can choose their electricity suppliers



GREEN ENERGY OPTION PROGRAM (GEOP)
End-Users can choose their electricity suppliers that are providing renewable electricity



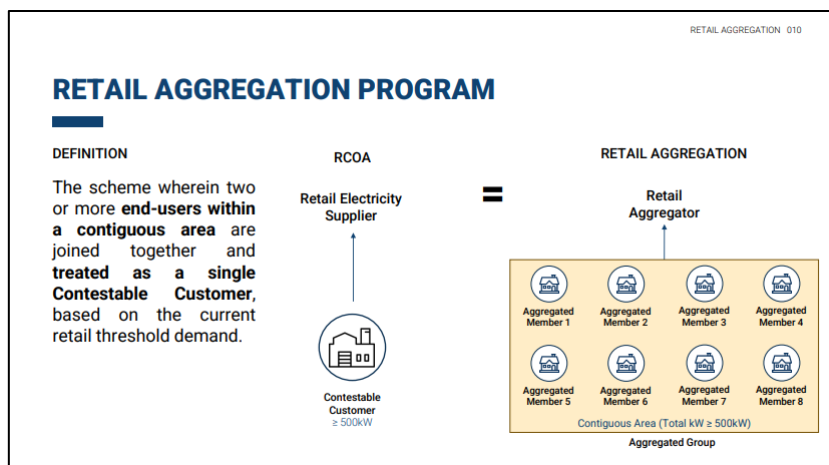
RETAIL AGGREGATION
End-Users can form a group to jointly choose their electricity suppliers

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RATIONALE FOR PROPOSED URGENT AMENDMENTS

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- To reflect provisions of ERC Resolution No. 04, Series of 2022 into the market rules and manuals
- To clarify procedures that will be applicable to Retail Aggregation participants for procedures not explicitly stated in ERC Resolution No. 04, Series of 2022
 - IEMOP has already sought clarification from ERC on various implementation matters through a letter dated 17 August 2022. Awaiting response from ERC.
- To ensure successful implementation of the Retail Aggregation Program starting on 26 December 2022

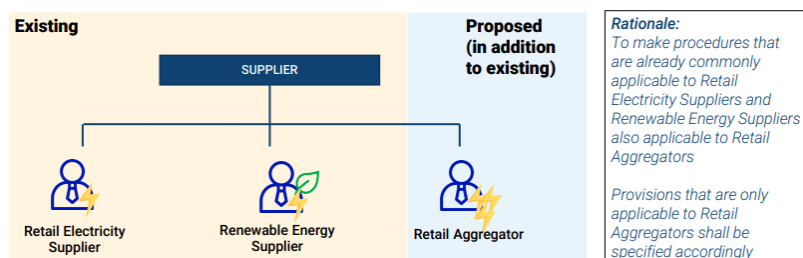
Summary of the Proposal



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A) Classification of Retail Aggregator under "Supplier" category

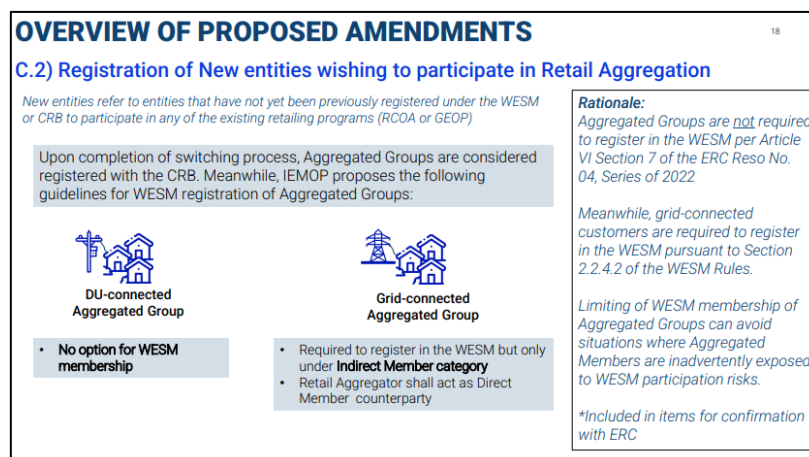
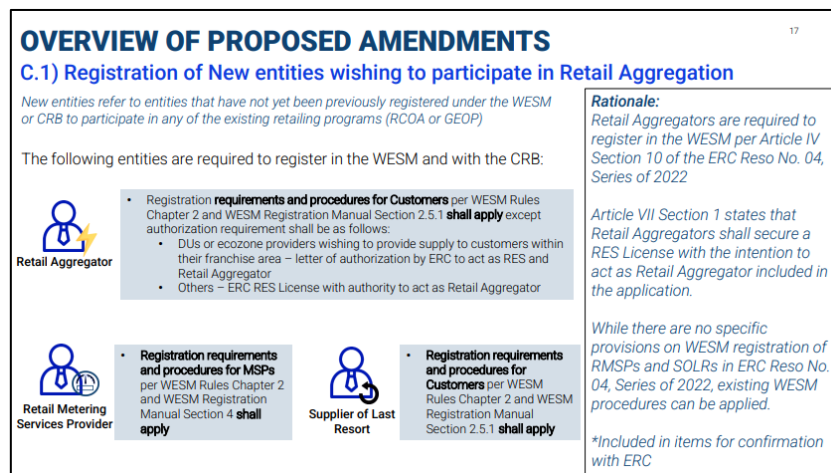
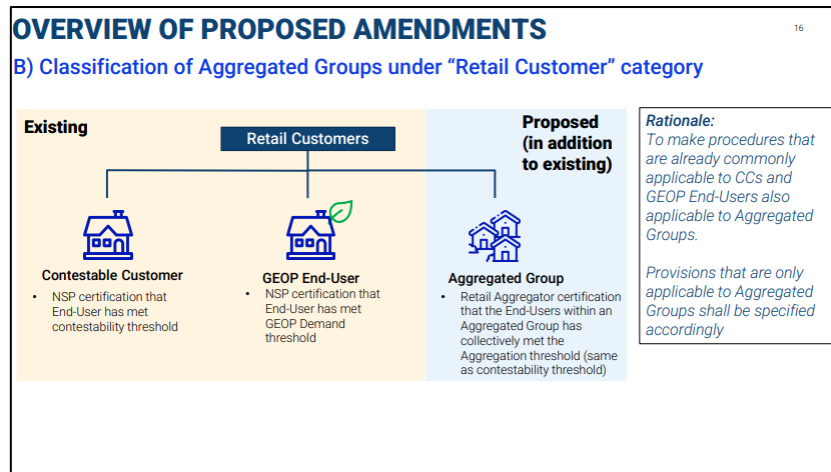


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D.1) Registration of Registered entities wishing to participate in Retail Aggregation

Registered entities refer to entities that have been previously registered under the WESM or CRB to participate in any of the existing retailing programs (RCOA or GEOP)

Rationale:
To delineate transactions between Retail Aggregators and Retail Electricity Suppliers given the ff:

- authorization for Retail Aggregators are issued separately by the ERC pursuant to Article VII of ERC Reso No. 04, Series of 2022
- To separate NSS and VAT transactions

While there are no specific provisions on WESM registration of RMSPs and SOLRs in ERC Reso No. 04, Series of 2022, existing WESM procedures can be applied.

**Included in items for confirmation with ERC*

RES entity must submit a new WESM application for participation as a Retail Aggregator. The following authorization documents shall be accepted:

- Existing Local RES– existing letter of authorization by ERC to act as RES + additional authority to act as Retail Aggregator
- Existing RES– existing ERC RES License + additional authority to act as Retail Aggregator

Retail Metering Services Provider

- RMSP must **update existing WESM registration by submitting supplemental documents** to accommodate transactions with Retail Aggregation participants

Supplier of Last Resort

- SOLR must **update existing WESM registration by submitting supplemental documents** to accommodate transactions with Retail Aggregation participants

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E) Submission of customer information to CRB

Section 2.3.1.1 of the Retail Rules: Network Service Providers must regularly submit the following information of End-Users who have become qualified to be Retail Customers

Proposal:
Exclude Aggregated Members from End-Users to be included in NSP submission

CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Contestable Customer 1

GEOP End-User 1

Aggregated Member X

Rationale:
While eligibility of End-Users to join RCOA or GEOP can be readily determined through data on average peak demand, the same cannot be applied to End-Users wishing to participate in Retail Aggregation as there is no prescribed demand level for an end-user to join an Aggregated Group.

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F) CONDITIONS FOR SWITCHING

Existing

Retail Rules Clause 3.2.1: The following are the conditions for switching of Retail Customers:

X

Existence of retail supply contract ☐

Existence of wheeling services agreement ☐

Existence of metering services agreement ☐

No outstanding balance ☐

Proposal

X

Contestable Customer

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X

Aggregated Group

- Aggregated Groups shall observe **same set of conditions as Contestable Customers.**
- An **authorized representative** shall attest or certify on behalf of all the members of the Aggregated Group
- The CRB shall require **submission of appropriate authorization documents** (such as Secretary's Certificate or Special Power of Attorney)

Rationale:
ERC Reso No. 04, Series of 2022 states that an Aggregated Group shall be treated as a single Contestable Customer. Thus, in transacting with an Aggregated Group, the CRB shall recognize only a single authorized representative and apply same switching conditions that are being applied to Contestable Customers.

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G) METERING REQUIREMENTS

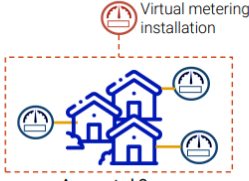
Existing



Contestable Customer

- The Retail MSP shall install appropriate interval meter to the Contestable Customer facility.
- The Retail MSP shall facilitate registration of metering installation with the CRB

Proposal



Aggregated Group

- The Retail MSP shall install appropriate interval meters to each Aggregated Member facility.
- The Retail MSP shall facilitate registration of a virtual metering installation with the CRB.
- The virtual metering installation does not necessarily have to be a physical installation. It represents the aggregated meter data of the Aggregated Group.

Rationale:

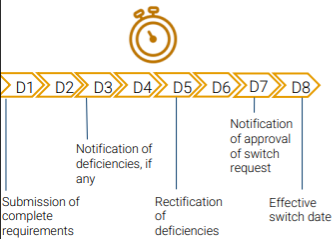
To comply with Article VI Section 2, 3 and 7 of ERC Reso No. 04, Series of 2022

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H) SWITCHING TIMELINE

Existing

Retail Rules Clause 3.2.2.2: The switching timeline of Retail Customers shall be as follows:



Proposal



Aggregated Groups shall observe same switching timeline as Contestable Customers.


Rationale:

ERC Reso No. 04, Series of 2022 states that an Aggregated Group shall be treated as a single Contestable Customer. Thus, in transacting with an Aggregated Group, the CRB shall apply same switching timeline that are being applied to Contestable Customers.

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OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
I) POST-SWITCH TRANSACTIONS OF AGGREGATED GROUPS

Proposal



Follow existing procedures for Contestable Customers provided that transaction shall be uniformly applied to all members of the Aggregated Group

- Termination of supply contracts due to mutual agreement by Retail Aggregator and Aggregated Group
- Transfer to SOLR (due to acts of default or last supply resort events)
- Reversion to Captive Market
- Disconnection and Reconnection

Rationale:

ERC Reso No. 04, Series of 2022 states that an Aggregated Group shall be treated as a single Contestable Customer. Thus, in transacting with an Aggregated Group, the CRB shall recognize it as a single entity and apply same post-switch procedures that are being applied to Contestable Customers.

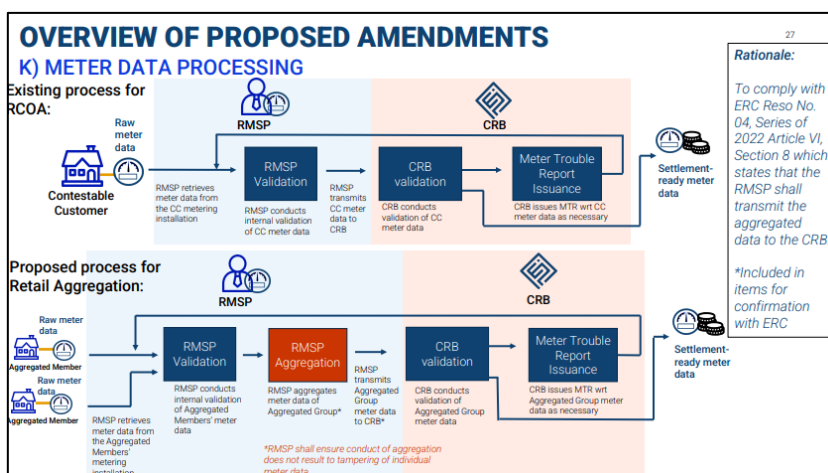
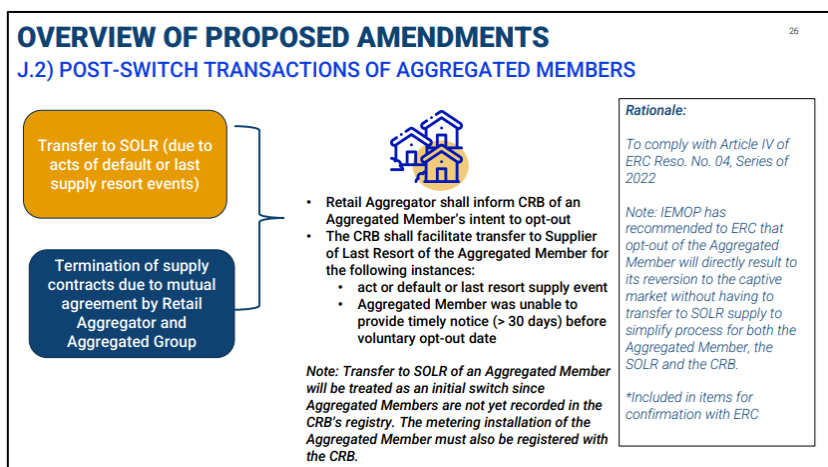
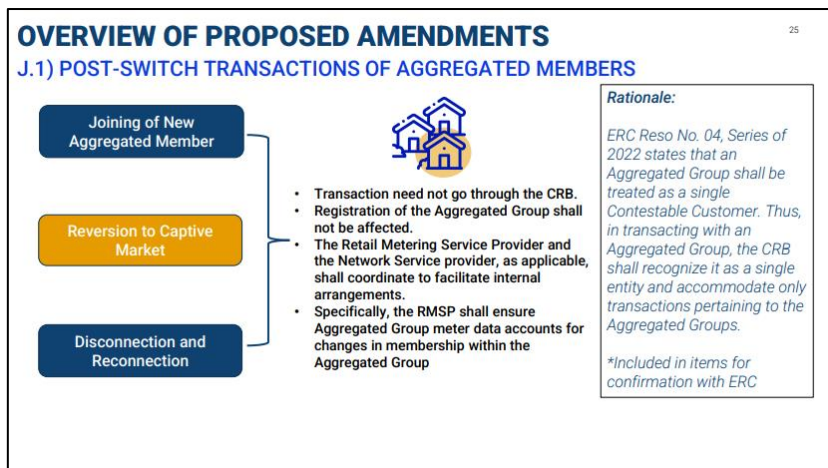
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L) SETTLEMENT

DETERMINATION OF GESQ



$$GESQ_{RES} = \sum_i GESQ_{CC,i}$$

$$GESQ_{RA} = \sum_i GESQ_{AggGroup,i}$$

Rationale:

ERC Reso No. 04, Series of 2022 states that an Aggregated Group shall be treated as a single Contestable Customer. Thus, in transacting with an Aggregated Group, the CRB shall apply same settlement procedures that are being applied to Contestable Customers.

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OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS

- None

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<p><i>Please write general comments here, if any.</i></p> <p>PEMC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The definition for “Contestable Customer” between WESM Rules (existing) and WESM Registration Manual (proposed) are slightly different. We recommend adopting the proposed definition and place it in the WESM Rules only. Defining said term in the WESM Registration Manual is not necessary since it is already in the WESM Rules.- Requesting IEMOP to provide update regarding their request for clarification with ERC on implementation matters (as stated in the discussion paper)- Will the proposal entail enhancements to the CRSS? If so, please provide information on the necessary changes, funding requirement, current status, and target completion.								<p>PEMC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Agree to include the definition of the CC in the WESM Rules only.- We have not received yet any formal response from ERC on our request. We have also sent a follow up letter dated 16 Dec 2022 to the ERC.- The enhancements to CRSS for implementation of Retail Aggregation was already included in the filing for supplemental budget for 2023. However, pending system enhancements, IEMOP shall implement interim measures to ensure compliance with the rules, once revised.	
<p>MERALCO:</p> <p>It appears that many of the provisions proposed for amendments should be advocated before the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC), as these are not contemplated in the existing and prevailing regulations.</p>								<p>MERALCO: Noted.</p>	<p>IEMOP is still awaiting ERC’s responses to these items.</p>

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NGCP: Essentially, Retail Aggregators and RE Suppliers are Retail Electricity Suppliers (RES). These entities are clearly defined in the corresponding ERC Resolutions. Creating “Supplier” as an umbrella name for these three may further create confusion and deviation from the ERC issuances. Meanwhile, GEOP End-users and Aggregated Groups are essentially Contestable Customers. Creating an umbrella name under “Retail Customers” would mean that they are not Contestable Customers, who are clearly defined as customers having a choice of electricity supply. Moreover, defining “Retail Customers” as Contestable Customers, GEOP End-users and Aggregated Groups would exclude the customers in the captive market who are also retail customers.							NGCP: Retain “Contestable Customer” and create a term “General Contestable Customer” to refer to customers that have met the contestability threshold, or change Retail Customers to “Retail Market Customers”.	NGCP: The purpose for proposing umbrella terms “Supplier” and “Retail Customer” is to efficiently amend the Retail Rules and Manuals to accommodate GEOP and Retail Aggregation while minimizing changes to the structure of the Retail Rules and Manuals. Since most provisions in the Retail Rules and Manuals that applies to RES and CCs also apply to RE Suppliers and GEOP End-Users and Retail Aggregators and Aggregated Groups, substituting these umbrella terms into existing provisions minimizes the need to insert additional provisions. Meanwhile the original context of the terms “Retail Electricity	IEMOP: While there is an umbrella term, the proponent proposed to have definition for each terminologies to avoid confusion. And specific rules for each terminologies will be clarified.

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								<p>Supplier” and “Contestable Customer” did not consider GEOP and Retail Aggregation. We propose to retain the original context, that is, “Retail Electricity Suppliers” refer only to entities that are not a) fully supplying RE and b) not into the business of aggregation while “Contestable Customers” refer only to those end-users that are eligible to for competitive supply but is a) not requiring 100% RE and b) a single entity and not a group of customers.</p> <p>Lumping RE Suppliers and Retail Aggregators under the term “Retail Electricity Suppliers” changes the original context and thus, may also result to confusion. The same goes for lumping the term GEOP End-Users and Aggregated Groups under</p>	

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								the term “Contestable Customers”. As regard the recommendation to change the umbrella term “Retail Customers”, we note that this is already being used as adopted by the RCC and PEM Board as part of the urgent amendments for GEOP implementation.	
GLOSSARY	Chapter 11	<u>Retail Customer – An electricity end-user that is qualified to contract electricity supply from Suppliers, in accordance with qualifications issued by the ERC. For avoidance of doubt, this shall refer to Contestable Customers that are allowed to participate in the Retail Competition Open Access as prescribed in the Act and/or End- Users that are allowed to participate in the Green Energy Option Program as prescribed in the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 (RE Law).</u>	[same] Retail Customer. An electricity end-user that is qualified to contract electricity supply from Suppliers, in accordance with qualifications issued by the ERC. For avoidance of doubt, this shall refer to Contestable Customers that are allowed to participate in the Retail Competition Open Access as prescribed in the Act and/or End- Users that are allowed to participate in the Green Energy Option Program as prescribed in the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 (RE Law).	<i>Retail Customer – An electricity end-user that is qualified to contract electricity supply from Suppliers, in accordance with qualifications issued by the ERC either in the capacity of a Contestable Customer, GEOP End-User or an Aggregated Group as prescribed in Republic Act No. 9513. For clarity, the term “Retail Customer” shall collectively pertain to “Contestable Customer”, “GEOP End-User” and Aggregated Group unless the context requires that the term specifically refer to either a “Contestable Customer”,</i>	To harmonize definition of terminologies between WESM Rules and Retail Rules	MERALCO: For consistency, the defined terms (i.e., Retail Customer, Contestable Customer and GEOP End-User) should also be italicized similar to the term Aggregated Group.		MERALCO: Okay with this	IEMOP: Deferred to PEMC the harmonization of terms of ERC Reso on No Outstanding Balance.
						Secretariat: Note earlier comments to remove quotation marks. Also consider simplifying definition.	Secretariat: Retail Customer – An electricity end-user that is qualified to contract electricity supply from Suppliers, in accordance with		Adopt as revised Retail Customer – An electricity end-user that is qualified to contract electricity supply

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				<p><u>“GEOP End-User” or Aggregated Group.</u> For avoidance of doubt, this shall refer to <i>Contestable Customers</i> that are allowed to participate in the <i>Retail Competition Open Access</i> as prescribed in the <i>Act</i> and/or End-Users that are allowed to participate in the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> as prescribed in the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 (RE Law).</p>			<p>qualifications issued by the ERC <u>either in the capacity of a Contestable Customer, GEOP End-User or an Aggregated Group as prescribed in Republic Act No. 9513.</u> For clarity, <u>the term “Retail Customer”</u> this shall collectively pertain to <u>Contestable Customer, GEOP End-User, and Aggregated Group unless the context requires that the term specifically refer to either a Contestable Customer, GEOP End-User or Aggregated Group.</u> For avoidance of doubt, this shall refer to <i>Contestable Customers</i> that are allowed to participate in the <i>Retail Competition Open Access</i> as prescribed in the <i>Act</i> and/or End-</p>		<p>from <i>Suppliers</i>, in accordance with qualifications issued by the ERC, <u>and has switched to its respective market either in the capacity of a Contestable Customer, GEOP End-User as prescribed in Republic Act No. 9513, or an Aggregated Group.</u> For clarity, <u>the term “Retail Customer” shall collectively pertain to “Contestable Customer”, “GEOP End-User” and Aggregated Group unless the context requires that the term specifically refer to either a “Contestable Customer”, “GEOP End-User”</u></p>

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							Users that are allowed to participate in the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> as prescribed in the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 (RE Law).		or Aggregated Group. <u>unless the context requires specific reference individually.</u> For avoidance of doubt, this shall refer to <i>Contestable Customers</i> that are allowed to participate in the <i>Retail Competition Open Access</i> as prescribed in the Act and/or End-Users that are allowed to participate in the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> as prescribed in the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 (RE Law).
						NGCP: Retail Customers include both Captive and Contestable Customers. A GEOP	NGCP: <u>Retail Contestable Customer – An electricity end-user that is qualified to</u>	NGCP: Same response to general comment	See above

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						End-User and Aggregated Group are both supplied by a Supplier (general RES/RE Supplier/Retail Aggregator), thus, both are not under the Captive Market.	<u>contract electricity supply from <i>Retail Electricity Suppliers</i>, in accordance with qualifications issued by the ERC either in the capacity of a general Contestable Customer, a GEOP End-User or an Aggregated Group, as prescribed in Republic Act No. 9513. For clarity, the term “Contestable Customer” shall collectively pertain to a <i>general “Contestable Customer”, “GEOP End-User” and “Aggregated Group” unless the context requires that the term specifically refer to either a general “Contestable Customer”, “GEOP End-User” or Aggregated Group</i></u>		
GLOSSARY	Chapter 11	Supplier. Any person or entity licensed by the ERC to sell,		Supplier. Any person or entity licensed by the <i>ERC</i> to sell,	To harmonize definition of terminologies	NGCP:	NGCP:	NGCP:	Adopt IEMOP

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		broker, market or aggregate electricity to End-users, and registered with the Market Operator as a Customer under clause 2.3.2		broker, market or aggregate electricity to End-users, <u>in the capacity of a Retail Electricity Supplier, Retail Aggregator and/or Renewable Energy Supplier,</u> and registered with the <i>Market Operator</i> as a <i>Customer</i> under clause 2.3.2	between WESM Rules and Retail Rules	A Retail Aggregator and a Renewable Energy Supplier are both Retail Electricity Suppliers. Perhaps “Supplier” can be revised to “Retail Electricity Supplier” based on ERC Resolution No. 1, Series of 2011	<u>Retail Electricity</u> Supplier. Any person or entity licensed by the ERC to sell, broker, market or aggregate electricity to End-users, <u>either in the capacity of a general Retail Electricity Supplier, Retail Aggregator, and/or Renewable Energy Supplier,</u> and registered with the Market Operator as a Customer under clause 2.3.2	Same response to general comment	

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Please write general comments here, if any.									
Level of Participation/Direct & Indirect WESM Membership	2.3.9	<u>2.3.9 An entity that is mandated to register in the WESM as an Indirect WESM Member may opt to participate as a GEOP End-User.</u>	2.3.9 An entity that is mandated to register in the WESM as an <i>Indirect WESM Member</i> may opt to participate as a <i>GEOP End-User</i> .	<u>2.3.9 An entity that is mandated to register in the WESM as an Indirect WESM Member may opt to participate as a GEOP End-User. A GEOP End-User that is connected to the transmission system shall register as an Indirect WESM Member.</u>	To clarify previously proposed Section 2.3.9	MERALCO: We would like to clarify if the intent is that an end-user (either GEOP or RCOA) or aggregated group that is connected to the transmission system will have to register in the WESM as an independent member by virtue of being connected to the transmission system. Further, distribution connected end-users or aggregated groups are not required to become WESM members.		MERALCO: Yes, this is correct.	To be revisited. IEMOP to reconsider membership pf grid-connected GEOP End-users per PEMC’s comment.
						NGCP: Noted			
Level of Participation/Direct & Indirect WESM Membership	(new)	(new)		<u>2.3.10 An Aggregated Group that is connected to the transmission system shall register as an Indirect WESM Member.</u>	Aggregated Groups are not required to register in the WESM per Article VI Section 7 of the ERC Reso No. 04, Series of 2022.	MERALCO: Similar to the previous comment, we would like to clarify that if the intent is that an end-user (either GEOP or RCOA) or aggregated		MERALCO: Yes, this is correct.	To be revisited. IEMOP to reconsider membership pf grid-connected GEOP End-users per PEMC’s comment.

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					Meanwhile, grid-connected customers are required to register in the WESM pursuant to Section 2.2.4.2 of the WESM Rules. Limiting of WESM membership of Aggregated Groups can avoid situations where Aggregated Members are inadvertently exposed to WESM participation risks.	group that is connected to the transmission system will have to register in the WESM as an independent member by virtue of being connected to the transmission system. Further, distribution connected end-users or aggregated groups are not required to become WESM members.			
						NGCP: Article VI, Section VII of the Resolution: “...Aggregated Members shall not be required to be registered as members, whether Direct and (sic) Indirect of the WESM.” WESM Rules 2.2.4.2: No person or entity shall be allowed to inject or withdraw electricity from the	NGCP: <u>2.3.10 An Aggregated Group with at least one member that is connected to the transmission system shall register as an Indirect WESM Member.</u>	NGCP: We propose that the composition of an Aggregated Group shall either be: a) all connected to the distribution system or b) all directly-connected to the Grid for simplified implementation.	To be revisited. IEMOP to review effect to MNM of NGCP’s proposal.

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						grid unless that entity or person is a registered member of the WESM. WESM 2.3.2.1 A person or entity that engages in the activity of purchasing electricity supplied through the transmission system or a distribution system to a connection point may register with the Market Operator as a Customer. Since Aggregated Group is composed of different Aggregated Members, who may or may not be connected to the Grid, it may be more consistent if proposed provision pertains to the Aggregated Members.			
REGISTRATION OF DIRECT WESM MEMBERS	2.5.1.2	2.5.1.2 Customers a) A person or entity that engages in the	2.5.1.2 Customers a) A person or entity that engages in the activity	2.5.1.2 Customers c) A person or entity that engages in the activity of purchasing		PEMC: Suggest that the proposal in this section be renumbered to		PEMC: Agree.	IEMOP to check the RMSP.

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AND TRADING PARTICIPANTS - Customers		activity of purchasing electricity supplied through the <i>transmission system</i> or the <i>distribution system</i> to a connection point may register with the <i>Market Operator</i> as a <i>Customer</i> .	of purchasing electricity supplied through the <i>transmission system</i> or the <i>distribution system</i> to a connection point may register with the <i>Market Operator</i> as a <i>Customer</i> .	electricity supplied through the <i>transmission system</i> or the <i>distribution system</i> to a connection point may register with the <i>Market Operator</i> as a <i>Customer</i> .	To clarify that Retail Electricity Suppliers cater specifically to Contestable Customers	Section 2.5.1.2. There is no Section 2.5.9.2 in the Registration Manual.			
		b) The following are qualified to register as <i>Customer</i> – ▪ <i>Distribution Utilities</i> , including private <i>distribution utilities</i> , <i>electric cooperatives</i> and local government utilities undertaking	b) The following are qualified to register as <i>Customer</i> – ▪ <i>Distribution Utilities</i> , including private <i>distribution utilities</i> , <i>electric cooperatives</i> and local government utilities undertaking distribution of electricity. ▪ <i>Retail Electricity Suppliers</i> that have been authorized to	d) The following are qualified to register as <i>Customer</i> – ▪ <i>Distribution Utilities</i> , including private <i>distribution utilities</i> , <i>electric cooperatives</i> and local government utilities undertaking distribution of electricity. ▪ <i>Retail Electricity Suppliers</i> that have been authorized to engage in retail electricity supply <i>to Contestable Customers</i> by the <i>ERC</i> , provided, however, that the RES may only register in the <i>WESM</i> upon declaration of retail competition and open		PEMC: Supplied the missing phrase in the definition based on Section 3 Definition of Terms of ERC Reso. No. 04, S.2022.	PEMC: <i>Retail Aggregators</i> refers to suppliers that have been authorized by the ERC to engage in consolidating electric power demand of End-Users for the purpose of purchasing and reselling electricity on a group basis.	PEMC: Agree.	Adopt PEMC
						MERALCO: We propose adopting the definition of Retail Aggregator from ERC’s Retail Aggregation Rules.	MERALCO: 2.5.9.2 xxx <i>Retail Aggregators</i> refers a person or entity duly licensed by the ERC to engage in consolidating electric power demand of End-users for the	MERALCO: Agree. For harmonization with proposed revision by PEMC and NGCP.	Adopt PEMC

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		<p>distribution of electricity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Retail Electricity Suppliers</i> that have been authorized to engage in retail electricity supply by the <i>ERC, provided, however,</i> that the RES may only register in the <i>WESM</i> upon declaration of retail competition and open access by and shall transact in the <i>WESM</i> and subject to relevant rules, regulations and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> engage in retail electricity supply by the <i>ERC</i>, provided, however, that the RES may only register in the <i>WESM</i> upon declaration of retail competition and open access by and shall transact in the <i>WESM</i> and subject to relevant rules, regulations and issuances of the <i>ERC</i>. <i>Renewable Energy Suppliers</i> that have been authorized by the <i>ERC</i> and <i>DOE</i> to engage in the provision or 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> access by and shall transact in the <i>WESM</i> and subject to relevant rules, regulations and issuances of the <i>ERC</i>. <i>Renewable Energy Suppliers</i> that have been authorized by the <i>ERC</i> and <i>DOE</i> to engage in the provision or supply of electric power from renewable energy resources to End-Users participating in the Green Energy Option Program-GEOP End-Users, provided, however, that the <i>Renewable Energy Supplier</i> may only register in the <i>WESM</i> upon commencement of the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i>. <i>Retail Aggregators</i> refers to suppliers that have been authorized by the <i>ERC</i> to engage in consolidating electric power demand of 	<p>Retail Aggregators are required to register in the WESM per Article IV Section 10 of the ERC Reso No. 04, Series of 2022</p> <p>To include Suppliers of Last Resort as entities eligible to register in the WESM as Customer</p>	<p></p> <p>NGCP:</p> <p>If a DU can supply RE and non-RE electricity to its native customers, why can't a RES supply to a contestable customer, an aggregated customer, and GEOP end-users? What is the advantage of having three (on top of a DU & a SOLR) different types of suppliers? Why can't there be just one type of supplier subject to the same rules for an</p>	<p><u>purpose of purchasing and reselling electricity on a group basis.</u> to suppliers that have been authorized by the ERC to engage in consolidating electric power demand of End-Users for the purpose of purchasing</p> <p></p>	<p></p> <p>NGCP:</p> <p>RE Suppliers need to secure a RES License, pursuant to ERC Reso. No. 08, S. of 2021 and a GEOP operating permit, pursuant to DC2020-04-0009, prior to providing supply to GEOP End-Users.</p> <p>Meanwhile, Article VII of ERC Reso No. 04, S. of 2022 states that the RES license to be issued by ERC to Retail Aggregators shall</p>	

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		<p>register in the WESM upon commencement of the Green Energy Option Program.</p> <p>xxx</p>					<p>electric power demand of End-Users for the purpose of purchasing and reselling electricity on a group basis.</p> <p>• Suppliers of Last Resort refers to entities designated by the ERC to serve Retail Customers Contestable Customers following a last resort supply event.</p>	Same response to general comment	
ENROLLMENT AND DE-LISTING OF SUPPLY CUSTOMERS	3.5.1.4	3.5.1.4 Only WESM registered <u>Retail Electricity Suppliers</u> may enroll <i>Contestable Customers</i> while only WESM registered <u>Renewable Energy Suppliers</u> may enroll <u>Retail Customers</u>	3.5.1.4 Only WESM registered <i>Retail Electricity Suppliers</i> may enroll <i>Contestable Customers</i> while only WESM registered <i>Renewable Energy Suppliers</i> may enroll <i>Retail Customers</i>	3.5.1.4 <u>Enrollment of Retail Customers shall comply with the following guidelines:</u> a) Only WESM registered <i>Retail Electricity Suppliers</i> may enroll	Restructured this section to include guidelines for enrollment of supply contracts involving Aggregated Groups	PEMC: <i>For clarification with IEMOP:</i> Why is there a requirement for		PEMC: As per our proposal, GEOP end-users and Aggregated Groups connected to the distribution system have	IEMOP: CC is allowed to switch to GEOP For DU connected, allowed to be direct but no

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						Are aggregated groups connected to the "distribution" system also included?		implementation.	
EFFECTS OF SUSPENSION	4.4.1	4.4.1. From the time of the issuance of the Notice of Suspension until such time the suspension is revoked, the suspended WESM member is ineligible to participate in the WESM. As such, the suspended WESM member shall be disconnected from the transmission or distribution system to which its facilities are connected. If the suspended WESM member is a Wholesale Aggregator, or a Retail Electricity Supplier <u>or a Renewable Energy Supplier</u> , the Indirect WESM member for whom	4.4.1. From the time of the issuance of the Notice of Suspension until such time the suspension is revoked, the suspended WESM member is ineligible to participate in the WESM. As such, the suspended WESM member shall be disconnected from the transmission or distribution system to which its facilities are connected. If the suspended WESM member is a	4.4.1 From the time of the issuance of the Notice of Suspension until such time the suspension is revoked, the suspended WESM member is ineligible to participate in the WESM. As such, the suspended WESM member shall be disconnected from the transmission or distribution system to which its facilities are connected. If the suspended WESM member is a Wholesale Aggregator, a Retail Electricity Supplier, or a Renewable Energy Supplier, <u>or a Retail Aggregator</u> , the Indirect WESM member for whom it transacts in the WESM shall likewise be suspended from trading in the WESM and shall be disconnected from the transmission or distribution system, unless the latter complies with the conditions set forth in Section 2.3.7 of this Manual.	To include Retail Aggregators	NGCP: To be consistent with the previous comments	NGCP: 4.4.1 From the time of the issuance of the Notice of Suspension until such time the suspension is revoked, the suspended WESM member is ineligible to participate in the WESM. As such, the suspended WESM member shall be disconnected from the transmission or distribution system to which its facilities are connected. If the suspended WESM member is a Wholesale Aggregator, a	NGCP: Same response to general comment	4.4.1 From the time of the issuance of the Notice of Suspension until such time the suspension is revoked, the suspended WESM member is ineligible to participate in the WESM. As such, the suspended WESM member shall be disconnected from the transmission or distribution system to which its facilities are connected. If the suspended WESM member is a

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		it transacts in the WESM shall likewise be suspended from trading in the WESM and shall be disconnected from the transmission or distribution system, unless the latter complies with the conditions set forth in Chapter II. Clause <u>Section 2.3.7</u> of this Manual.	Wholesale Aggregator, a Retail Electricity Supplier or a Renewable Energy Supplier, the Indirect WESM member for whom it transacts in the WESM shall likewise be disconnected from the transmission or distribution system, unless the latter complies with the conditions set forth in Section 2.3.7 of this Manual.				Retail Electricity Supplier, or including a Renewable Energy Supplier, or a Retail Aggregator, the Indirect WESM member for whom it transacts in the WESM shall likewise be suspended from trading in the WESM and shall be disconnected from the transmission or distribution system, unless the latter complies with the conditions set forth in Chapter II. Clause <u>Section 2.3.7</u> of this Manual.		Wholesale Aggregator, a Retail Electricity Supplier, or a Renewable Energy Supplier, or a <u>Retail Aggregator,</u> the Indirect WESM member for whom it transacts in the WESM shall likewise be suspended from trading in the WESM and shall be disconnected from the transmission or distribution system, unless the latter complies with the conditions set forth in Section 2.3.7 of this Manual.
EFFECTS OF DEREGISTRATION	5.6.2.2	5.6.2.2. If the deregistered WESM member is a	5.6.2.2. If the deregistered WESM member is a	5.6.2.2 If the deregistered WESM member is a Wholesale Aggregator, a Retail Electricity Supplier, or a Renewable Energy	To include Retail Aggregators	NGCP: To be consistent with	NGCP: 5.6.2.2 If the		5.6.2.2 If the deregistered WESM member is a

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		<i>Wholesale Aggregator, or a Retail Electricity Supplier or a <u>Renewable Energy Supplier</u> acting as a Direct WESM Member</i> counterparty to an <i>Indirect WESM member</i> and the latter does not comply with the requirements in Chapter II , Section 2 .3.7 of this Manual, the facilities of the <i>Indirect WESM member</i> shall be disconnected.	<i>Wholesale Aggregator, a Retail Electricity Supplier or a Renewable Energy Supplier</i> acting as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> counterparty to an <i>Indirect WESM member</i> and the latter does not comply with the requirements in Section 2.3.7 of this Manual, the facilities of the <i>Indirect WESM member</i> shall be disconnected.	<i>Supplier <u>or a Retail Aggregator</u> acting as a Direct WESM Member</i> counterparty to an <i>Indirect WESM member</i> and the latter does not comply with the requirements in Section 2.3.7 of this Manual, the facilities of the <i>Indirect WESM member</i> shall be disconnected.		the previous comments	deregistered <i>WESM member</i> is a <i>Wholesale Aggregator</i> , or a <i>Retail Electricity Supplier</i> , or <u>including a Renewable Energy Supplier or a Retail Aggregator</u> . acting as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> counterparty to an <i>Indirect WESM member</i> and the latter does not comply with the requirements in Chapter II , Section 2 .3.7 of this Manual, the facilities of the <i>Indirect WESM member</i> shall be disconnected		<i>Wholesale Aggregator</i>, a <i>Retail Electricity Supplier</i>, <u>or</u> a <i>Renewable Energy Supplier</i> <u>or a Retail Aggregator</u> acting as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> counterparty to an <i>Indirect WESM member</i> and the latter does not comply with the requirements in Section 2.3.7 of this Manual, the facilities of the <i>Indirect WESM member</i> shall be disconnected.



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GLOSSARY OF TERMS	Appendix A	(new)		<u>Aggregated Group - End-users, the demand of which, has been consolidated and supplied by a Retail Aggregator to qualify for contestability under current rules issued by the DOE and the ERC.</u>	Include definition of terminologies used in foregoing proposed amendments	NGCP: Noted			Adopt IEMOP
GLOSSARY OF TERMS	Appendix A	(new)		<u>Contestable Customers - An electricity end user that is certified by the ERC as having met the demand threshold for contestability as set out in the Act. Collectively, these end users make up the contestable market.</u>	Include definition of terminologies used in foregoing proposed amendments	MERALCO: We note that Section 3 of ERC Resolution No. 12, Series of 2020 ¹ requires Network Services Providers to notify qualified Contestable Customers via its monthly billing statement, in lieu of Certificates of Contestability from the ERC.	MERALCO: We respectfully suggest defining the term Contestable Customers, to wit: “An electricity end user that is certified by the ERC as having met the demand threshold for contestability as set out in the Act, <u>or is advised that it is qualified to be a contestable customer as indicated in its</u>	MERALCO: Please consider the condensed revision below: “An electricity end user that is certified by the ERC as having met the demand threshold for contestability as set out in the Act, <u>or such other certifications as may be allowed under applicable laws or rules.</u> Collectively, these end users make up the contestable market.” We note that “ <u>such other certifications as may be allowed under</u>	IEMOP: Defer to PEMC on the harmonization of terms w/ REC Reso 01 S. 2023

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							<u>monthly billing statement from the Network Service Provider or such other certifications as may be allowed under applicable laws or rules.</u> Collectively, these end users make up the contestable market.”	<u>applicable laws or rules”</u> already covers the monthly billing statements.	
						NGCP: To harmonize with ERC Resolution Nos. 1, Series of 2011 and 4, Series of 2022	<u>An electricity end user that belongs to the Contestable Market. is certified by the ERC as having met the demand threshold for contestability as set out in the Act. Collectively, these end users make up the contestable market.</u>	NGCP: For the purpose of the WESM Rules, Retail Rules and Manuals, suggest to retain original context of “Contestable Customer” which are end-users that have met the contestability threshold and a) not requiring 100% RE supply and b) is a single entity (not an aggregated group).	IEMOP: Defer to PEMC on the harmonization of terms w/ REC Reso 01 S. 2023

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS	Appendix A	(new)		<u>GEOP End-User - Any person or entity requiring the supply and delivery of electricity sourcing 100% of its electricity requirements from renewable energy resources for its own use.</u>	Include definition of terminologies used in foregoing proposed amendments	NGCP: Noted. Harmonized with ERC Resolution No. 8, Series of 2021.			Adopt IEMOP
GLOSSARY OF TERMS	Appendix A	(new)		<u>Renewable Energy Supplier - Any person or entity authorized by the ERC and the DOE to provide or supply electric power from renewable energy resources to the GEOP End-Users and registered as a Customer pursuant to Clause 2.3.2 of the WESM Rules and Clause 2.4.1.3 of these Retail Rules.</u>	Include definition of terminologies used in foregoing proposed amendments	MERALCO: We respectfully suggest aligning the definition of Renewable Energy Suppliers with ERC’s GEOP Rules	MERALCO: <u>“Refers to individuals or judicial entities created, registered, or authorized to operate in the Philippines in accordance with Existing laws and engaged in the provision or supply of electric Power from re resources to green energy option program (GEOP) end-user.”</u>	MERALCO: Okay with this but suggest to align as well with how Retail Aggregator and Retail Electricity Supplier is defined.	Adopt to delete Renewable Energy Supplier - refers to any person or entity authorized by the ERC and the DOE to provide or supply electric power from renewable energy resources to the end-users and registered as a Customer pursuant to Clause 2.3.2 of the WESM Rules and Clause 2.4.1.3 of these Retail Rules.
						NGCP:			

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						Noted. Harmonized with ERC Resolution No. 8, Series of 2021.			
GLOSSARY OF TERMS	Appendix A	(new)		<u>Retail Aggregator - A person or entity duly licensed by the ERC to engage in consolidating electric power demand of End-users for the purpose of purchasing and reselling electricity on a group basis.</u>	Include definition of terminologies used in foregoing proposed amendments	NGCP: Noted. Harmonized with ERC Resolution No. 4, Series of 2022.			Adopt IEMOP
GLOSSARY OF TERMS	Appendix A	(new)		<u>Retail Customer - An electricity end- user that is qualified to contract electricity supply from Suppliers, in accordance with qualifications issued by the ERC either in the capacity of a Contestable Customer, GEOP End-User or an Aggregated Group as prescribed in Republic Act No. 9513. For clarity, the term “Retail Customer” shall collectively pertain to “Contestable Customer”, “GEOP End-User” and Aggregated Group unless the context requires that the term specifically refer to either a “Contestable Customer”, “GEOP End-User” or Aggregated Group.</u>	Include definition of terminologies used in foregoing proposed amendments	PEMC: Defining “Retail Customer” is no longer necessary since it is already defined in the WESM Rules (Chapter 11)		PEMC: Agree.	<u>Adopt to delete</u>
						NGCP: Disagree. Even captive customers are retail customers. GEOP EUs and Aggregated Groups are essentially Contestable Customers.	NGCP: <u>Retail Contestable Customer – An electricity end-user that is qualified to contract electricity supply from Retail Electricity Suppliers, in accordance with qualifications issued by the ERC either in the capacity of a</u>	NGCP: Same response to general comment.	<u>Adopt to delete</u>

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							<u>general Contestable Customer, a GEOP End-User or an Aggregated Group, as prescribed in Republic Act No. 9513. For clarity, the term “Contestable Customer” shall collectively pertain to a general “Contestable Customer”, “GEOP End-User” and “Aggregated Group” unless the context requires that the term specifically refer to either a general “Contestable Customer”, “GEOP End-User” or Aggregated Group.</u>		
GLOSSARY OF TERMS	Appendix A	(new)		<u>Retail Electricity Supplier - Any person or entity authorized by the ERC to sell, broker, market or aggregate electricity to the Contestable Customers and registered as a Customer pursuant to Clause 2.3.2 of</u>	Include definition of terminologies used in foregoing proposed amendments	NGCP: For clarification: So a RES is also an aggregator?			IEMOP: Part of clarification with ERC but for implementation, RES and Retail

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				the WESM Rules and Clause 2.4.1.2 and Clause 2.4.2.3 of these Retail Rules.					Aggregator are different

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								May we request to include additional amendment to Section 1.2.5 of the Retail Rules as follows: 1.2.5 Interpretation 1.2.5.1 Words and phrases that appear in italics are defined in the glossary in Chapter 6 of these Retail Rules and the WESM Rules. 1.2.5.2 xxx <u>1.2.5.3 In case of conflict between the Retail Rules and relevant Manuals with the ERC Resolution No. 04, S. of 2022 (“Rules for the Electric Retail Aggregation Program”), the latter shall prevail.</u>	Adopt
FRAMEWORK AND OBJECTIVES OF RETAIL COMPETITION AND THE RETAIL RULES	(new)	<u>1.3.5 Consistent with the Renewable Energy Act of 2008, the Green Energy Option Program (GEOP) promotes renewable energy by providing end-users a mechanism to source their electricity supply from renewable energy resources.</u>	1.3.5 Consistent with the Renewable Energy Act of 2008, the <i>Green Energy Option Program (GEOP)</i> promotes renewable energy by providing end-users a mechanism to source their electricity supply from renewable energy resources.	<u>1.3.5 Upon commencement of retail aggregation, aggregators shall be allowed to supply electricity to end-users whose aggregate demand</u>	To provide framework for inclusion of Retail Aggregation in the Retail Rules	MERALCO: For consistency with the defined terms, we suggest revising the term “aggregators” to “Retail Aggregators.” We also suggest that	MERALCO: 1.3.5 Upon commencement of Retail Aggregation, <u>Retail</u> Aggregators shall be allowed to supply electricity to end-users whose	MERALCO: Okay with this	Adopt additional wordings from Meralco IEMOP to consult w/ ERC on the concerns of Sir Dennis re: same MTN for the

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		<u>1.3.6 Upon commencement of the Green Energy Option Program, qualified GEOP End-Users may transact with licensed and registered Renewable Energy Suppliers to participate in the GEOP.</u>	1.3.6 Upon commencement of the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> , qualified <i>GEOP End-Users</i> may transact with licensed and registered <i>Renewable Energy Suppliers</i> to participate in the <i>GEOP</i> .	<u>within a contiguous area meets the threshold for contestability subject to compliance with the requirements under relevant rules issued by the ERC and this Rules.</u> <u>1.3.6</u> 1.3.5 Consistent with the Renewable Energy Act of 2008, the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> (GEOP) promotes renewable energy by providing end-users a mechanism to source their electricity supply from renewable energy resources. <u>1.3.7</u> 1.3.6 Upon commencement of the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> ,	Renumbered due to insertion of new clause 1.3.5 Renumbered due to insertion of new clause 1.3.5	the term “Contiguous Area” be defined under the proposed amendments, based on definition under the Retail Aggregation Rules.	aggregate demand within a Contiguous Area meets the threshold for contestability subject to compliance with the requirements under relevant rules issued by the ERC and this Rules. <u>As defined in ERC’s Retail Aggregation Rules, Contiguous Areas are areas which are within the same boundaries such as subdivisions, villages, Special Economic Zones, business districts and other similarly situated End-Users in which supply of electricity can be measured through metering devices.</u> 1.3.6 x x x 1.3.7 Upon commencement of the <i>Green Energy</i>		members of aggregated group (Calculation of LR portion) To harmonize

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				qualified <i>GEOP End-Users</i> may transact with licensed <i>Renewable Energy Suppliers</i> to participate in the <i>GEOP</i> .			<i>Option Program, Contestable Customers and other GEOP End-Users</i> allowed under the <i>Rules on Green Energy Option Program</i> issued by the ERC, may transact with <i>Renewable Energy Suppliers</i> to participate in the <i>GEOP</i> .		
						NGCP: Noted			
CENTRAL REGISTRATI ON BODY	1.4.1	1.4.1.1 The <i>Central Registration Body</i> shall, generally and non-restrictively, have the following functions and responsibilities: a) Maintain a registry of all <u><i>Retail Customers, which include Contestable Customers and GEOP End-Users</i></u> who have already been awarded a certificate of contestability by the ERC. <u><i>For each Retail</i></u>	1.4.1.1 The <i>Central Registration Body</i> shall, generally and non-restrictively, have the following functions and responsibilities: a) Maintain a registry of all <i>Retail Customers</i> , which include <i>Contestable Customers</i> and <i>GEOP End-Users</i> . For each <i>Retail Customer</i> , the <i>Central Registration</i>	1.4.1.1 The <i>Central Registration Body</i> shall, generally and non-restrictively, have the following functions and responsibilities: a) Maintain a registry of all <i>Retail Customers</i>, which include database of end-users who have <u><i>qualified to participate as Contestable Customers</i></u> and <i>GEOP End-Users</i> in	Rephrased into 1.4.1.1a) and 1.4.1.1b) and to delineate maintenance of database of qualified CCs and GEOP End-Users from maintenance of database of registered Retail Customers (CCs, GEOP End-Users, Aggregated Groups)	MERALCO: Under Section 15.1 ERC’s GEOP Rules, end-users who intend to participate in GEOP are required to notify the DU of its intention at least ninety (90) calendar days prior to signing a GEOP supply contract. In contrast for RCOA, the DU is notified only through a switch request according to ERC’s Rules for Customer Switching.	MERALCO: a) Maintain a database of end-users who have qualified to participate as Contestable Customers and GEOP End-Users in accordance with the submission of Network Service Providers using the mode or form prescribed by the Central Registration	Okay with this	Adopt IEMOP’s proposed revised

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		<p>Customer, the Central Registration Body shall indicate whether the Retail Customer is already registered with the Central Registration Body or if not, whether the Retail Customer has signified interest, through its Network Service Provider, to participate under retail competition or the Green Energy Option Program:</p> <p>b) Carry out customer switching between a Distribution Utility and a Supplier, and between Suppliers;</p> <p>c) Determine gross energy settlement quantities of Contestable Retail Customers and Suppliers;</p> <p>d) Collect and manage metering data of Contestable Retail Customers from Retail</p>	<p>Body shall indicate whether the <i>Retail Customer</i> is already registered with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> or if not, whether the <i>Retail Customer</i> has signified interest, through its <i>Network Service Provider</i>, to participate under retail competition or the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i>;</p> <p>b) Carry out customer switching between a Distribution Utility and a Supplier, and between Suppliers;</p> <p>c) Determine gross energy settlement quantities of <i>Retail Customers</i> and Suppliers;</p> <p>d) Collect and manage</p>	<p><u>accordance with submission of Network Service Providers using the mode or form prescribed by the Central Registration Body.</u> For each Retail Customer <u>end-user</u>, the <i>Central Registration Body</i> shall indicate whether the Retail Customer <u>end-user</u> is already registered with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> or if not, whether the <i>Retail Customer</i> <u>end-user</u> has signified interest, through its <i>Network Service Provider</i>, to participate under retail competition or the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i>;</p> <p>b) <u>Maintain a database of Retail Customers that have registered with the</u></p>		<p>Hence, the requirement for end-users to signify their interest to participate applies only to end-users who are interested to join GEOP. There are different rules and regulations which apply to each Retail Customer. We suggest revising this provision to reflect this.</p> <p>* * *</p> <p>May we be clarified what the term “non-restrictively” means in this context?</p> <p>* * *</p> <p>NGCP: 1.4.1.1 a) Noted</p> <p>NGCP:</p> <p>For clarification: So a RES is also an aggregator?</p>	<p>Body. For each <u>GEOP</u> End-User, the <i>Central Registration Body</i> shall indicate whether the <u>GEOP</u> End-User has signified interest, through its <i>Network Service Provider</i>, to participate under retail competition or the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i>;</p> <p>xx</p> <p>h) As applicable, c)Comply with rules and regulations as may be provided by ERC.</p>	<p>****</p> <p>The term “non-restrictively” is not part of our proposal.</p>	

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		Metering Services Providers; e) Allocate resources to enable it to perform its functions; f) Provide an information exchange amongst Retail Competition Participants; and g) Comply with rules and regulations as may be provided by ERC.	metering data of <i>Retail Customers</i> from Retail Metering Services Providers; e) Allocate resources to enable it to perform its functions; f) Provide an information exchange amongst Retail Competition Participants; and g) Comply with rules and regulations as may be provided by ERC.	<u>Central Registration Body;</u> b)-c) Carry out customer switching between a Distribution Utility and a Supplier, and between Suppliers; d)-d) Determine gross energy settlement quantities of <i>Retail Customers</i> and Suppliers; d)-e) Collect and manage metering data of <i>Retail Customers</i> from Retail Metering Services Providers; e)-f) Allocate resources to enable it to perform its functions; f)-g) Provide an information exchange amongst Retail Competition Participants; and		NGCP: b) To be consistent with aforementioned comments	NGCP: b) Maintain a database <i>Retail Customers</i> of Contestable Customers including GEOP End-users and Aggregated Groups that have registered with the <i>Central Registration Body;</i> c) Carry out customer switching between a Distribution Utility and a Retail Electricity Supplier, including RE Suppliers and Retail Aggregators, and between Retail Electricity Suppliers; d) Determine gross energy settlement quantities of Contestable <i>Retail Customers, including</i>	not into the business of aggregation. Same response to general comment Same response to general comment	

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				g)-h) Comply with rules and regulations as may be provided by ERC.			<u>GEOP EU and Aggregated Groups, and Retail Electricity Suppliers, including RE Suppliers and Retail Aggregators</u>		
REGISTRATION	(new)	(new)		2.2.1 <u>Retail Customers refer to end-users or groups of end-users that are eligible to contract with Suppliers pursuant to applicable laws and rules. These include:</u> 2.2.1.1 <u>Contestable Customers which are eligible to contract with Retail Electricity Suppliers;</u> 2.2.1.2 <u>GEOP End-Users which are eligible to contract with</u>	To make procedures that are already commonly applicable to CCs and GEOP End-Users also applicable to Aggregated Groups. Provisions that are only applicable to Aggregated Groups shall be specified accordingly	MERALCO: Minor revision	MERALCO: <i>2.2.1.3 Aggregated Groups which are eligible to contract with Retail Aggregators. For avoidance of doubt, Aggregated Members, by themselves, are not considered as Retail Customers unless such Aggregated Members are transferred to a Supplier of Last Resort.</i>	MERALCO: Okay with this.	Adopt proposal of Meralco
						NGCP: Retail Customers include captive customers. Inserting new terminologies that are not reflective of their essential	NGCP: <u>2.2.1 Contestable Retail Customers – refer to end-users or groups of end-users that are eligible to contract with Retail</u>	NGCP: Same response to general comment	Adopt previous agreements

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				<u>Renewable Energy Suppliers; and</u> <u>2.2.1.3 Aggregated Groups which are eligible to contract with Retail Aggregators. For avoidance of doubt, Aggregated Members, by themselves, are not considered as Retail Customers unless such Aggregated Member is transferred to a Supplier of Last Resort.</u>		meaning will further complicate manuals and rules. If new terms will be added for procedural purposes, the manuals should be adjusted in a holistic view. Essentially, GEOP EUs and Aggregated Groups are Contestable Customers by virtue of choice. They should be classified, generally, as such.	<u>Electricity Suppliers pursuant to applicable laws and rules. These include:</u> <u>2.2.1.1 Contestable Customers - General</u> <u>which are eligible to contract with Retail Electricity Suppliers whose requirements will not be exclusively sourced from renewable energy resources;</u> <u>2.2.1.2. Contestable Customer - GEOP End-Users which are eligible to contract with Renewable Energy Suppliers; and</u> <u>2.2.1.3 Contestable Customer - Aggregated Groups</u>		

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							<u>which are eligible to contract with Retail Aggregators. For avoidance of doubt, Aggregated Members, by themselves, are not considered as Retail Customers unless such Aggregated Member is transferred to a Supplier of Last Resort.</u>		
REGISTRATION	2.2.1	2.2.1 Eligibility of Retail Customers 2.2.1 2.2.1.1 Contestable Customers - Contestability of electricity end users shall be certified by the ERC and only the end users that have been issued a certification of contestability <u>or has been certified as such under applicable laws or rules</u> may be registered and permitted to transact with	2.2.1 Eligibility of Retail Customers 2.2.1.1 <i>Contestable Customers</i> - Contestability of electricity end users shall be certified by the ERC and only the end users that have been issued a certification of contestability or has been certified as such under applicable laws or rules may be registered and permitted to transact with	2.2.2 2.2.1 Eligibility of Retail Customers <u>to register and transact with the Central Registration Body shall be based on the following:</u> 2.2.1.1 2.2.2.1 <i>Contestable Customers</i> - <u>Issuance of certificate of contestability of electricity end users shall be certified</u> by the	To specify eligibility requirements of Retail Customers including Aggregated Groups. While eligibility of End-Users to join RCOA or GEOP can be readily determined through data on average peak demand indicated in monthly bills, the same cannot be applied to End-Users wishing to participate in Retail Aggregation as there is no prescribed	MERALCO: Under ERC Resolution No. 12, Series of 2020, the monthly billing from the Network Service Provider (NSP) shall be considered as a proof of contestability in lieu of the Certificates of Contestability (COCs). The monthly billing statement should also be honored for the contestable customer’s voluntary	MERALCO: 2.2.2.1 Contestable Customers Issuance of a certificate of contestability issued by the ERC, or monthly billing statement by the Network Service Provider indicating that the end-user has qualified to be a Contestable Customer, or such other certifications as may be allowed	MERALCO: The term “foregoing certifications” already include the monthly billing statement issued by NSPs.	Adopt previous agreements

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		<p>the <i>Central Registration Body</i>, or, as a voluntary <i>Participant</i> in the <i>WESM</i>.</p> <p><u>2.2.1.2 GEOP End-Users – Electricity end-users that (a) have been identified by their respective <i>Distribution Utilities</i> to have met the criteria to participate in <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> pursuant to guidelines set by the <i>ERC</i> may be registered; and (b) permitted to transact with the <i>Central Registration Body</i>.</u></p>	<p>the <i>Central Registration Body</i>, or, as a voluntary <i>Participant</i> in the <i>WESM</i>.</p> <p>2.2.1.2 GEOP End-Users – Electricity end-users that have been identified by their respective <i>Distribution Utilities</i> to have met the criteria to participate in <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> pursuant to guidelines set by the <i>ERC</i> may be registered; and permitted to transact with the <i>Central Registration Body</i>.</p>	<p>ERC and only the end-users that have been issued a certification of contestability or has been certified <u>or monthly billing statement by the Network Service Provider indicating that the end-user has qualified to be a Contestable Customer or such other certifications as may be allowed as such</u> under applicable laws or rules. may be registered and permitted to transact with the Central Registration Body, or, as The foregoing</p>	<p>demand level for an end-user to join an Aggregated Group. Thus, it proposed that the Retail Aggregator shall be the one to certify eligibility of Aggregated Groups.</p>	<p>registration in the <i>WESM</i>.</p>	<p>under applicable laws or rules. The foregoing certifications <u>or monthly billing statement</u> shall also allow the Contestable Customer to become a voluntary Participant in the <i>WESM</i>.</p> <p>2.2.2.2 xxx 2.2.2.3 xxx</p>		
						<p>PEMC:</p> <p><i>For clarification with IEMOP</i> What will be the basis of Retail Aggregators in certifying that the AG has met the threshold for contestability? (e.g. load forecast, actual billing statement)</p> <p>Will there be certification from the</p>		<p>PEMC:</p> <p>It shall be the responsibility of the Retail Aggregator to conduct due diligence to ensure that the Aggregated Group has met criteria for aggregation.</p> <p>Pursuant to Section 3 of ERC Reso No. 4, S. of 2022, end-users joining an aggregated group should be located within the</p>	

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				<u>certifications shall also allow the Contestable Customer to become</u> a voluntary Participant in the WESM. 2.2.1.2—2.2.2.2 <u>GEOP End-Users - Issuance of monthly billing statement by the Network Service Provider indicating that the end-user has qualified to be a GEOP End-User or such other certifications as may be allowed under applicable laws or rules. Electricity end-users that have been identified by their respective Distribution Utilities</u>		DU/NSP? Will it be possible that certifications from multiple DU/NSPs are needed when an aggregated group covers multiple DU franchise areas? If yes, the required metering facility should be clarified. Consider incorporating Article II Section 3 of the ERC Reso (Threshold for Contestability).		franchise area of the DU.	
						ACEN: 2.2.2.3 How do we operationalize this? How will the Aggregator determine if the Aggregated Group reaches the contestability threshold?	ACEN: 2.2.2.3 Suggestion on Procedure to Operationalize: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DU to come up with an assumed load factor per type of Aggregated Member (Residential, Commercial,	ACEN: It shall be the responsibility of the Retail Aggregator to conduct due diligence to ensure that the Aggregated Group has met criteria for aggregation. We refer to ERC and DOE on ACEN’s recommendations.	

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				<div>to have met the criteria to participate in Green Energy Option Program pursuant to guidelines set by the ERC may be registered; and permitted to transact with the Central Registration Body.</div> <div><u>2.2.2.3 Aggregated Groups – Issuance of certification by the Retail Aggregator that the consolidated demand of the Aggregated Group has met the threshold for contestability and has fulfilled the criteria for aggregation within a contiguous area</u></div>			Industrial) 1 month of consolidated data (within a 6 month period) to certify eligibility (For confirmation of Product on the minimum number of months).		
						NGCP: ERC Resolution No. 20, Series of 2022 clearly provides that aggregation is initiated by the Retail Aggregator. In this case, it is imperative that the Retail Aggregator ensure that the Aggregated Group complies with the aggregation requirement. It is not clear, however, on whose responsibility it is to certify in case where the end-users are the ones intending to consolidate their	NGCP: <u>2.2.1 Eligibility of Retail Contestable Customers to register and transact with the Central Registration Body shall be based on the following:</u> <u>2.2.1.1. Contestable Customers-General - Issuance of certificate of contestability by the ERC or monthly billing statement by the Network Service Provider indicating</u>	NGCP: Same response to general comment	

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				<u>under applicable laws and rules.</u>		demand but they have no prospective Retail Aggregator yet.	<u>that the end-user has qualified to be a Contestable Customer or such other certifications as may be allowed under applicable laws or rules. The foregoing certifications shall also allow the Contestable Customer to become a voluntary Participant in the WESM.</u> <u>2.2.1.2 Contestable Customers-GEOP End-Users - Issuance of monthly billing statement by the Network Service Provider indicating that the end-user has qualified to be a GEOP End-User or such other</u>		

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							<p><u>certifications as may be allowed under applicable laws or rules.</u></p> <p><u>2.2.1.3 <i>Contestable Customers Aggregated Groups</i> – Issuance of certification by the <i>Retail Aggregator</i> that the consolidated demand of the <i>Aggregated Group</i> has met the threshold for contestability and has fulfilled the criteria for aggregation within a contiguous area under applicable laws and rules.</u></p>		

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REGISTRATION	2.2.2	<p>2.2.2 Distribution utilities shall notify the <i>Central Registration Body</i> of any end user that has met the requirements to be certified become a <i>Contestable Customer</i> <u>and/or a End-User under the Green Energy Option Program</u> and shall provide the customer information required in Section 2.3 of this Chapter 2.</p> <p>Upon such notice, the Central Registration Body shall secure confirmation from the ERC if such end user has been certified as contestable and, if so certified, shall maintain a record of the customer for registration and other purposes specified in these rules.</p>	<p>2.2.2 Distribution utilities shall notify the <i>Central Registration Body</i> of any end-user that has met the requirements to become a <i>Contestable Customer</i> and/or as <i>End-User</i> under the <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> and shall provide the customer information required in Section 2.3 of this Chapter 2.</p>	<p><u>2.2.3</u> 2.2.2 Distribution utilities shall notify the <i>Central Registration Body</i> of any end-user that has met the requirements to become a <i>Contestable Customer</i> and/or as <i>GEOP End-User</i> under the Green Energy Option Program and shall provide the customer information required in Section 2.3 of this Chapter 2.</p>	Renumbering and to adopt GEOP End-User consistent with usage of term in other provisions of Retail Rules and Manuals		<p>NGCP:</p> <p><u>2.2.3</u> 2.2.2 Distribution utilities shall notify the <i>Central Registration Body</i> of any end user that has met the requirements to be certified become a general <i>Contestable Customer</i> and/or a GEOP End-User under the Green Energy Option Program and shall provide the customer information required in Section 2.3 of this Chapter 2. Upon such notice, the Central Registration Body shall secure confirmation from the ERC if such end user has been certified as contestable and, if so certified, shall maintain a record of the customer for</p>	<p>NGCP:</p> <p>Same response to general comment</p>	Adopt

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							registration and other purposes specified in these rules.		
REGISTRATION	2.2.3	2.2.3 A <i>Contestable Customer</i> duly certified and recorded by the <i>Central Registration Body</i> may voluntarily: i. Elect to source its supply from a <i>Supplier</i> and the <i>WESM</i> , and register as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> , in accordance with the procedures under Chapter 3 of these <i>Retail Rules</i> ; or ii. Elect to source its supply from a <i>Supplier</i> and register with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> ; or iii. Continue to be served by the <i>Distribution Utility</i> until it elects to purchase electricity from a <i>Supplier</i> or the <i>WESM</i> .	(no changes)	2.2.42-2.3 A <i>Contestable Customer</i> duly certified and recorded by the Central Registration Body to be eligible to directly transact with the Central Registration Body pursuant to Section 2.2.2 of this Retail Rules may voluntarily: a. Elect to source its supply from a <i>Retail Electricity Supplier</i> and the <i>WESM</i> , and register as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> , in accordance with the procedures under Chapter 3 of these <i>Retail Rules</i> ; or b. Elect to source its supply from a <i>Retail Electricity Supplier</i> and register with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> ; or c. Continue to be served by the <i>Distribution Utility</i> until it elects to purchase	To specify that this Section is only applicable to Contestable Customers Renumbering.	NGCP: A certified Contestable Customer continuing to be served by the DU (except by one acting as a SOLR) defeats the purpose of contestability. Please clarify electing to source from a RES and the WESM. If a Contestable Customer is a retail customer, purchasing from the WESM indicates a wholesale transaction.	NGCP: 2.2.42-2.3 A <i>Contestable Customer</i> duly certified and recorded by the Central Registration Body to be eligible to directly transact with the Central Registration Body pursuant to Section 2.2.2 of this Retail Rules may voluntarily: i. Elect to source its supply from a <i>Retail Electricity Supplier</i> and register as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> , in accordance with the procedures under Chapter 3 of these <i>Retail Rules</i> ; or	NGCP: Participation as Contestable Customer is voluntary pursuant to DC2017-12-0013. Contestable Customers may also voluntarily register in the WESM pursuant to DC2019-07-0011.	Adopt proposed rewording of IEMOP Secretariat to coordinate w/ NGCP

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				electricity from a <u>Retail Electricity Supplier</u> or the WESM.			ii. Elect to source its supply from a <u>Retail Electricity Supplier</u> and register with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> ; or iii. Continue to be served by the Distribution Utility until it elects to purchase electricity from a Retail Electricity Supplier or the WESM		
REGISTRATION – RETAIL CUSTOMERS	2.2.4	2.2.4 A Retail Customer that is a GEOP End-User as identified and notified by their respective Distribution Utility may voluntarily: i. <u>Elect to source its supply from a Renewable Energy Supplier and register with the Central Registration Body; or</u> ii. <u>Continue to be served by the Distribution Utility until it elects to</u>	2.2.4 A Retail Customer that is a GEOP End-User as identified and notified by their respective <i>Distribution Utility</i> may voluntarily: a) Elect to source its supply from a <i>Renewable Energy Supplier</i> and register with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> ; or b) Continue to be served by the <i>Distribution Utility</i> until it elects to purchase electricity from a	2.2.5 2.2.4 A Retail Customer that is a <u>GEOP End-User as identified and notified by their respective Distribution Utility duly certified to be eligible to transact with the Central Registration Body pursuant to Section 2.2.2 of this Retail Rules</u> may voluntarily: a) Elect to source its supply from a <i>Renewable Energy Supplier</i> and register with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> ; or	To make wording consistent with similar clause for Contestable Customers. Renumbering.	NGCP: GEOP EU is a contestable customer which should be supplied by an RES, specifically an RE Supplier. Supply from a DU exposes the GEOP Eu to non-RE purchases.	NGCP: 2.2.5 2.2.4 A Retail Customer that is a <u>GEOP End-User as identified and notified by their respective Distribution Utility</u> duly certified to be eligible to transact with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> pursuant to Section 2.2.2 of this <i>Retail Rules</i> may voluntarily:	NGCP: Participation as GEOP End-User is voluntary pursuant to DC2018-07-0019.	Adopt

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		<u>purchase electricity from a Renewable Energy Supplier.</u>	Renewable Energy Supplier.	b) Continue to be served by the Distribution Utility until it elects to purchase electricity from a Renewable Energy Supplier.			<u>i. Elect to source its supply from a Renewable Energy Supplier and register with the Central Registration Body; or</u> ii. Continue to be served by the Distribution Utility until it elects to purchase electricity from a Renewable Energy Supplier.		

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	2.2.5			<div><div>2.2.6</div><div>2.2.5</div><div>The registration of Contestable Customers shall be in respect to their facilities that have been issued certifications of contestability by the ERC or determined as eligible by the Distribution Utility, as provided in the monthly billing statement, pursuant to relevant ERC Rules and Regulations, provided, that –</div><div>2.2.56.1</div><div>Contestable Customers that have more than one registered facility shall have multiple registrations; and</div><div>2.2.56.2</div><div>Registration shall be in accordance with the certification of contestability issued by the ERC and each registered facility</div></div>	Renumbering	<div>NGCP:</div> <div>Aggregated Group are Contestable Customers to be supplied by Retail Aggregators.</div> <div>Can an aggregated group be a direct member since the group is already a "contestable" customer?2</div>	<div>NGCP:</div> <div>2.2.6 An <u>Aggregated Group duly certified to be eligible to transact with the Central Registration Body pursuant to Section 2.2.2 of this Retail Rules may voluntarily:</u></div> <div>A) <u>Elect to source its supply from a Retail Aggregator and register with the Central Registration Body; or</u></div> <div>b) <u>Continue to be served by the Distribution Utility until it elects to purchase electricity from a Retail Aggregator.</u></div>	<div>NGCP:</div> <div>Participation in Retail Aggregation is voluntary pursuant to ERC Reso No. 04 S. of 2022</div>	Adopted

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				covered by one certification of contestability shall have a single and separate registration, regardless that the same is served by more than one metering installation.					
REGISTRATION – RETAIL CUSTOMER	(new)	(new)		<u>2.2.7 An Aggregated Group duly certified to be eligible to transact</u>	To clarify actions available to eligible Aggregated Groups	PEMC: For clarification with		PEMC:	

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S				<p><u>with the Central Registration Body pursuant to Section 2.2.2 of this Retail Rules may voluntarily:</u></p> <p>a) <u>Elect to source its supply from a Retail Aggregator and register with the Central Registration Body; or</u></p> <p>b) <u>Continue to be served by the Distribution Utility until it elects to purchase electricity from a Retail Aggregator.</u></p>		<p><i>IEMOP</i></p> <p>Considering that an Aggregated Group is being created by a Retail Aggregator, does this provision apply only when the Aggregated Group has already been created? Or is this a post-registration process?</p> <p>How does the power of choice apply in this provision? Can an Aggregated Group be formed or registered with the CRB without the Retail Aggregator?</p> <p>Will it be possible that certifications from multiple DU/NSPs are needed when an aggregated group covers multiple DU franchise areas? If yes, the required metering facility should be clarified.</p>		<p>Item a is the process of Retail Aggregated Group switching. While item b contemplates a scenario where a Retail Aggregation Group is formed by consolidation of the Retail Aggregator but is not yet switched.</p> <p>Thus, Aggregated Groups can be formed even without a Retail Aggregator but can only be registered with the CRB upon submission of switch request by their elected Retail Aggregator.</p> <p>Pursuant to Article III, Section 3 of ERC Reso No. 4, S. of 2022, end-users joining an aggregated group should be located within the franchise area of the DU.</p>	

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						<p>MERALCO:</p> <p>ERC’s Retail Aggregation Rules define “Aggregated Group” as “end-users, the demand of which, has been consolidated and supplied by a Retail Aggregator to qualify for contestability under current rules issued by the DOE and the ERC.”</p> <p>Hence, an Aggregated Group is only considered as such when its demand is already consolidated and being supplied by a Retail Aggregator.</p> <p>The proposed amendment seems to provide two options for the Aggregated Group: 1.) to source from a Retail Aggregator, or 2.) to be served by a</p>	<p>MERALCO:</p> <p>2.2.6 An <i>Aggregated Group</i> duly certified to be eligible to transact with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> pursuant to Section 2.2.2 of this <i>Retail Rules</i> may voluntarily <u>elect to source its supply from a Retail Aggregator and register with the Central Registration Body, provided that, prior to Switching, members of the Aggregated Group shall continue to be served as individual customers by the Distribution Utility until it elects to purchase electricity from a Retail Aggregator as an Aggregated Group.</u></p>	<p>MERALCO:</p> <p>Okay with this.</p>	<p>Adopt proposal as revised by Meralco</p>

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						Distribution Utility. While the individual members are not yet switched as an Aggregated Group (and therefore, are not considered as Aggregated Members), they shall be considered as individual customers of the Distribution Utility. Notably, the Distribution Utility has no authority to serve an Aggregated Group under existing ERC regulations.			
						NGCP: Noted.			
REGISTRATION – RETAIL CUSTOMERS	2.2.4	<u>2.2.5</u> 2.2.4 The registration of <i>Contestable Customers</i> shall be in respect to their facilities that have been issued certifications of contestability by the ERC, <u>or determined as eligible by the Distribution Utility, as provided in the monthly billing statement, pursuant to relevant ERC Rules</u>	2.2.5 The registration of <i>Contestable Customers</i> shall be in respect to their facilities that have been issued certifications of contestability by the ERC, or determined as eligible by the <i>Distribution Utility</i> , as provided in the monthly billing statement, pursuant to relevant ERC Rules	<u>2.2.8</u> 2.2.5 The registration of <i>Contestable Customers</i> shall be in respect to their facilities that have been issued certifications of contestability by the ERC, or determined as eligible by the <i>Distribution Utility</i> , as provided in the monthly billing statement, pursuant to relevant ERC Rules	Renumbering	MERALCO: We note that reference to certification of contestability (COCs) applies to contestable customers with prior COCs issued by ERC. We propose to align this provision with ERC Resolution No. 12	MERALCO: 2.2.7 The registration of <i>Contestable Customers</i> shall be <u>with</u> in respect to their facilities that have been <u>previously</u> issued certifications of contestability by the	MERALCO: Kindly confirm basis for “ <u>Eligibility Letter from the Network Service Provider</u> ”. We note that this is not mentioned in ERC Reso. No. 12, S. of 2020.	Secretariat: to validate the insertion of Meralco (Note that per MERALCO, this has already been consulted with ERC and there is no ERC Resolution on the Eligibility Letter requirement from the NSP).

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		and Regulations. Provided, that – 2.2.5.1 <i>Contestable Customers</i> that have more than one <i>registered facility</i> shall have multiple registrations; and 2.2.5.2 Registration shall be in accordance with the certification of contestability issued by the <i>ERC</i> and each <i>registered facility</i> covered by one certification of contestability shall have a single and separate registration, regardless that the same is served by more than one metering installation.	and Regulations, provided, that – 2.2.5.1 <i>Contestable Customers</i> that have more than one <i>registered facility</i> shall have multiple registrations; and 2.2.5.2 Registration shall be in accordance with the certification of contestability issued by the <i>ERC</i> and each <i>registered facility</i> covered by one certification of contestability shall have a single and separate registration, regardless that the same is served by more than one metering installation.	and Regulations, provided, that – 2.2.8.1–2.2.5.1 <i>Contestable Customers</i> that have more than one <i>registered facility</i> shall have multiple registrations; and 2.2.8.2–2.2.5.2 Registration shall be in accordance with the certification of contestability issued by the <i>ERC</i> and each <i>registered facility</i> covered by one certification of contestability shall have a single and separate registration, regardless that the same is served by more than one		series of 2020 which states that the notification though the monthly billing statement from the Network Service Provider shall be considered as proof of contestability and the basis for the contestable customer’s retail market transactions.	ERC, or determined as eligible by the Distribution Utility, as provided in the monthly billing statement <u>or Eligibility Letter from the Network Service Provider</u> , pursuant to relevant ERC Rules and Regulations, provided, that – 2.2.5.1 Registration shall be in accordance with the certification of contestability issued by the <i>ERC</i> <u>or the monthly billing statement or Eligibility Letter from the Network Service Provider, whichever is applicable,</u> and each <i>registered facility</i> covered by one certification of contestability shall have a single and		Adopted IEMOP

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				metering installation.			separate registration, regardless that the same is served by more than one metering installation.		
						NGCP: Captive and contestable customers are Retail customers.		NGCP: Same response to general comment	
REGISTRATION – RETAIL CUSTOMERS	2.2.5	2.2.5 <u>2.2.6</u> <i>Contestable Customers</i> that are directly connected to the <i>transmission system</i> shall be listed with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> based on the information from the <i>ERC</i> for monitoring purposes.	2.2.6 <i>Contestable Customers</i> that are directly connected to the <i>transmission system</i> shall be listed with the <i>Central Registration Body</i> based on the information from the <i>ERC</i> for monitoring purposes.	2.2.9 2.2.6 Contestable <i>Retail Customers</i> that are directly connected to the <i>transmission system</i> shall be listed with the Central Registration Body based on the information from the ERC for monitoring purposes <u>shall register in the WESM as required under Section 2.2.4.2 of the WESM Rules and the relevant provisions of the WESM Manual on Registration, Suspension and De-registration Criteria and Procedures.</u>	Updated this section to make it applicable to all Retail Customers that are directly connected to transmission system and refer to applicable provisions in WESM Rules and Manuals				For IEMOP’s confirmation
REGISTRATION - RETAIL CUSTOMER	2.3.1.1	2.3.1.1 All Distribution Utilities <u>Network Service</u>	2.3.1.1 <i>Network Service Providers</i> shall submit the	2.3.1.1 All <i>Network Service Providers</i> shall submit the	To clarify that submission of customer information	MERALCO:	MERALCO:	MERALCO: Okay with proposed	IEMOP confirmed that

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INFORMATION		<p><u>Providers</u> shall submit the following information to the <i>Central Registration Body</i> on all <u>newly qualified</u> end-users within its franchise area that it deems to have already met the required demand threshold <u>to participate in retail competition and/or in the Green Energy Option Program.</u></p> <p>(a) Customer name; (b) Billing and service addresses; (c) Customers’ account number; Customer contact information (telephone numbers and e-mail addresses); (e) Meter number; Meter specifications (interval metering, channels); and SEIN of the grid <i>metering point</i> of the <i>Distribution</i></p>	<p>following information to the <i>Central Registration Body</i> on newly qualified end-users within its franchise area that it deems to have already met the required demand threshold to participate in retail competition and/or in the <i>Green Energy Option Program.</i></p> <p>a) Customer name; b) Billing and service addresses; c) Customers’ account number; d) Customer contact information (telephone numbers and e-mail addresses); e) Meter number; f) Meter specification s (interval metering,</p>	<p>following information to the <i>Central Registration Body</i> on newly qualified end-users within its franchise area that it deems to have already met the required demand threshold <u>in retail competition and/or in the Green Energy Option Program. as Contestable Customer and/or as GEOP End-User</u></p> <p>(a) Customer name; (b) Billing and service addresses; (c) Customers’ account number; (d) Customer contact information (telephone numbers and e-mail addresses); (e) Meter number; (f) Meter specifications (interval metering, channels); (g) SEIN of the grid <i>metering point</i> of the <i>Distribution Utility</i> where the supply</p>	<p>under this section is only applicable to Contestable Customers and GEOP End-Users</p> <p>While eligibility of End-Users to join RCOA or GEOP can be readily determined through data on average peak demand, the same cannot be applied to End-Users wishing to participate in Retail Aggregation as there is no prescribed demand level for an end-user to join an Aggregated Group.</p>	<p>Regarding Section 2.3.1.1 (i), we note that contestable customers are not required to signify their interest in RCOA. Furthermore, the DU is only notified upon the receipt of a switch request. Only eligible GEOP customers were required to signify their interest in participating in GEOP.</p> <p>Please refer to our previous comment on section 1.4.1.</p> <p>* * *</p> <p>Regarding the requirement to provide the SEIN, we note that based on previous clarifications and coordination with IEMOP, the relevant requirement necessary in the report is the grid off-take metering point. <u>The SEIN is generated</u></p>	<p>2.3.1.1 All <i>Network Service Providers</i> shall submit the following information to the <i>Central Registration Body</i> on all newly qualified end users within its franchise area that it deems to have already met the required demand threshold to participate as <i>Contestable Customer</i> and/or as <i>GEOP End-User</i></p> <p>(a) Customer name; (b) Billing and service addresses; (c) Customers’ account number; (d) Customer contact information</p>	<p>revision.</p>	<p>Adopt with Meralco’s item G</p> <p>2.3.1.1 All <i>Network Service Providers</i> shall submit the following information to the <i>Central Registration Body</i> on newly qualified end-users within its franchise area that it deems to have already met the required demand threshold to participate in retail competition and/or in the Green Energy Option Program. as <u>Contestable Customer and/or as GEOP End-User</u></p> <p>(a) Customer name;</p>

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		<i>Utility</i> where the supply of the end user passes through; <u>Confirmation that the end-user has qualified either for retail competition or GEOP, or both; and</u> <u>(i) Confirmation that the end-user has signified interest to participate under retail competition or Green Energy Option Program, or both.</u>	<i>channels;</i> g) SEIN of the grid <i>metering point of the Distribution Utility</i> where the supply of the end user passes through; h) Confirmation that the end-user has qualified either for retail competition or GEOP, or both; and i) Confirmation that the end-user has signified interest to participate under retail competition or <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> , or both.	<i>of the end user passes through; and</i> (h) Confirmation that the end-user has qualified either for retail competition or GEOP as Contestable Customer or GEOP End-User, or both; and (i) Confirmation that the end-user has signified interest to participate under retail competition or Green Energy Option Program as Contestable Customer or GEOP End-User, or both.		<u>by IEMOP and not by the Network Services Providers.</u> Hence, for clarity, it is deemed best to replace the information on item (g) to Grid Off-take Metering Point.	(telephone numbers and e-mail addresses); (e) Meter number; (f) Meter specifications (interval metering, channels); (g) SEIN of the Grid Off-take metering point of the Distribution Utility where the supply of the end user passes through; and (h) Confirmation that the end-user has qualified either as <i>Contestable Customer</i> or <i>GEOP End-</i>		(b) Billing and service addresses; (c) Customers’ account number; (d) Customer contact information (telephone numbers and e-mail addresses); (e) Meter number; (f) Meter specifications (interval metering, channels); (g) SEIN of the grid Grid Off-take <i>metering point of the Distribution Utility</i> where the

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							<div>User, or both; and</div> <div>(i) <u>For end-users who will participate in GEOP:</u> Confirmation that the end-user has signified interest to participate as <u>a Contestable Customer or GEOP End-User, or both.</u></div>		<div>supply of the end user passes through; and</div> <div>(h) Confirmation that the end-user has qualified either for retail competition <u>as Contestable Customer or GEOP End-User,</u> or both; and</div>

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									(i) Confirmation that the end-user has signified interest to participate under retail competition or Green Energy Option Program as Contestable Customer or GEOP End-User, or both.
						NGCP: For consistency with the reso.	NGCP: 2.3.1.1 All Distribution Utilities <u>Network</u>	NGCP: Same response to general comment	Retain IEMOP and Meralco item g

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							<p><u>Service Providers</u> shall submit the following information to the <i>Central Registration Body</i> on all <u>newly qualified</u> end users within its franchise area that it deems to have already met the required demand threshold <u>has signified interest as to participate in retail competition and/or in the Green Energy Option Program as a general Contestable Customer and/or as GEOP End-User</u></p> <p><u>h) Confirmation that the end-user has qualified either for retail competition or GEOP as a general Contestable Customer or a GEOP End-User, or both; and</u></p>		

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							i) Confirmation that the end-user has signified interest to participate under retail competition or Green Energy Option Program as a <u>general Contestable Customer</u> or <u>GEOP End-User</u> , or both .		
REGISTRATION - SUPPLIERS AND RETAIL METERING SERVICES PROVIDERS	(new)	(new)		2.4.1 <u>Suppliers refer to any person or entity authorized by the ERC to sell, broker, market or aggregate electricity to end-users. These include:</u> a) <u>Retail Electricity Suppliers;</u> b) <u>Renewable Energy Suppliers;</u> <u>and</u> c) <u>Retail Aggregators.</u>	To clarify covered categories under Supplier	NGCP: Based on previous comments	NGCP: 2.4.1 <u>Retail Electricity Suppliers refer to any person or entity authorized by the ERC to sell, broker, market or aggregate electricity to end-users. These include:</u> a) <u>Retail Electricity Suppliers;</u> b) <u>A) Renewable Energy Suppliers; and</u> <u>b) Retail Aggregators.</u>	NGCP: Same response to general comment	Adopt IEMOP

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REGISTRATION - SUPPLIERS AND RETAIL METERING SERVICES PROVIDERS	2.4.1	2.4.1 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to <i>Contestable Customers, Suppliers</i> shall:	(no changes)	2.4.2 2.4.1 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to <i>Contestable Customers, Suppliers intending to transact as a Retail Electricity Suppliers</i> shall:	To clarify that this clause is specific to Retail Electricity Suppliers	MERALCO: Please delete the typo of “2.4.11.”, correct the spelling to “license”, and capitalize Retail Electricity Supplier as the defined term.	MERALCO: 2.4.1.1 Hold a license or authorization from the <i>ERC</i> to act as a Retail Electricity Supplier , and	MERALCO: Okay with this	Adopt IEMOP’s language as corrected by Meralco
		2.4.1.1 Hold a licence or authorization from the <i>ERC</i> to act as a retail electricity <i>Supplier</i> , and 2.4.1.2 Register in the <i>WESM</i> as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> under the <i>Customer Trading Participant</i> category and shall fulfill all such registration requirements as set out in the <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2.		2.4.1.1 2.4.2.1 Hold a licence or authorization from the <i>ERC</i> to act as a retail electricity <i>Supplier</i> , and 2.4.1.2 2.4.2.2 Register in the <i>WESM</i> as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> under the <i>Customer Trading Participant</i> category and shall fulfill all such registration requirements as set out in the <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2.			NGCP: 2.4.2 2.4.1 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to a general <i>Contestable Customers, Suppliers any person or entity intending to transact as a Retail Electricity Suppliers</i> shall:	NGCP: Same response to general comment	Adopt IEMOP’s language as corrected by Meralco
REGISTRATION - SUPPLIERS AND RETAIL METERING	(new)	2.4.2 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to <i>Retail Customers</i> under the <i>Green Energy Option</i>	2.4.2 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to <i>Retail Customers</i> under the <i>Green Energy Option</i>	2.4.3 2.4.2 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to <i>Retail Customers</i> under the <i>Green Energy Option</i>	Renumbering	MERALCO: Since this provision is specifically for GEOP, we suggest that	MERALCO: 2.4.3 Before being able to transact for the supply of	MERALCO: Okay with this	Adopt with MERALCO’s revisions:

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SERVICES PROVIDERS		<u>Program, Suppliers intending to transact as a Renewable Energy Supplier shall:</u>	<i>Program, Suppliers intending to transact as a Renewable Energy Supplier shall:</i>	<i>Program, Suppliers intending to transact as a Renewable Energy Supplier shall:</i>		reference to retail customers under the Green Energy Option Program be revised to "GEOP End-User" for clarity.	electricity to <u>GEOP End-Users</u> Retail Customers under the Green Energy Option Program, Suppliers intending to transact as a <u>the Renewable Energy Supplier</u> shall: xxxx		2.4.3 2.4.2 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to Retail Customers under the Green Energy Option Program <u>GEOP End-Users, Suppliers intending to transact as a</u> Renewable Energy Supplier shall:
		<u>2.4.2.1 Secure a Retail Electricity Supplier license from the ERC pursuant ERC Resolution No. 01, Series of 2011, and amendments thereto.</u>	2.4.2.1 Secure a Retail Electricity Supplier license from the <i>ERC</i> pursuant <i>ERC</i> Resolution No. 01, Series of 2011, and amendments thereto.	2.4.3.1 2.4.2.1 Secure a Retail Electricity Supplier license from the ERC pursuant ERC Resolution No. 01, Series of 2011, and amendments thereto.					
		<u>2.4.2.2 Hold a Green Energy Option Program operating permit from the DOE pursuant to DOE Department Circular No. DC 2020-04-0009 and any amendments thereto, and</u>	2.4.2.2 Hold a <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> operating permit from the <i>DOE</i> pursuant to <i>DOE</i> Department Circular No. DC 2020-04-0009 and any amendments thereto, and	2.4.3.2 2.4.2.2 Hold a <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> operating permit from the DOE pursuant to DOE Department Circular No. DC 2020-04-0009 and any amendments thereto, and					
		<u>2.4.2.3 Register in the WESM as a Direct WESM Member under the Customer Trading Participant category and shall fulfil all such registration requirements as set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2.</u>	2.4.2.3 Register in the <i>WESM</i> as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> under the <i>Customer Trading Participant</i> category and shall fulfil all such registration requirements as set	2.4.3.3 2.4.2.3 Register in the <i>WESM</i> as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> under the <i>Customer Trading Participant</i> category and shall fulfil all such registration requirements as set out in the <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2.					2.4.3.1 2.4.2.1 Secure a Retail Electricity Supplier license from the ERC pursuant ERC Resolution No. 01, Series of 2011, and amendments thereto.

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			out in the <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2.						<u>2.4.3.2</u> 2.4.2.2 Hold a <i>Green Energy Option Program</i> operating permit from the DOE pursuant to DOE Department Circular No. DC 2020-04-0009 and any amendments thereto, and <u>2.4.3.3</u> 2.4.2.3 Register in the <i>WESM</i> as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> under the <i>Customer Trading Participant</i> category and shall fulfil all such registration

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									requirements as set out in the <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2.
							NGCP: <u>2.4.3 2.4.2 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to <i>Retail Customers</i> under the <i>Green Energy Option Program-GEOP End-users</i>, any person or entity intending to transact as a <i>Renewable Energy Supplier</i> shall:</u>	NGCP: Same response to general comment	
REGISTRATION - SUPPLIERS AND RETAIL METERING SERVICES PROVIDERS	(new)	(new)		<u>2.4.4 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to <i>Aggregated Groups</i>, Suppliers intending to transact as a <i>Retail Aggregator</i> shall:</u> <u>2.4.4.1 Hold a license or authorization from the</u>	Include provision to govern registration of Retail Aggregators	MERALCO: Please see some minor revisions	MERALCO: 2.4.4 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to an <i>Aggregated Groups</i> , Suppliers intending to transact as a <i>Retail Aggregator</i> shall:	MERALCO: Okay with proposed revisions	Adopt IEMOP w/ revisions from Meralco

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				<div>ERC to act as a retail electricity Supplier,</div> <div>2.4.4.2 Hold a license or authorization from the ERC to act as a Retail Electricity Aggregator, and</div> <div>2.4.4.3 Register in the WESM as a Direct WESM Member under the Customer Trading Participant category and shall fulfil all such registration requirements as set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2.</div>			<div>2.4.4.1 Hold a license or authorization from the ERC to act as a Retail Electricity Supplier,</div> <div>2.4.4.3 Register in the WESM as a Direct WESM Member under the Customer Trading Participant category and shall fulfil all such registration requirements as set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2.</div>		
						<div>NGCP:</div> <div>2.4.4.1 to 2.4.4.3 Noted</div>	<div>NGCP:</div> <div>2.4.4 Before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to Aggregated Groups, Suppliers any person or entity intending to transact as a Retail Aggregator</div>	<div>NGCP:</div> <div>Same response to general comment</div>	

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REGISTRATION - SUPPLIERS AND RETAIL METERING SERVICES PROVIDERS	(new)	(new)		<u>2.4.5 Suppliers that are already registered in the WESM under any of the categories listed under Section 2.4.1 of these Retail Rules and wish to register in another category shall submit a separate registration application with respect to that category in accordance with registration requirements as set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2.</u>	To govern registration of existing RES wishing to participate as Renewable Energy Supplier and Retail Aggregator and vice versa	NGCP: Existing RE Users and Retail Aggregators would have already secured a RES License. That automatically makes them a Retail Electricity Supplier.	shall: NGCP: <u>2.4.5 Existing Retail Electricity Suppliers that are already registered in the WESM pursuant to under any of the categories listed under Section 2.4.1 of these Retail Rules and wishes to register in another category, pursuant to Sections 2.4.2 and 2.4.3 shall submit a separate registration application with respect to that category in accordance with registration requirements as set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2</u>	NGCP: Same response to general comment	Adopt IEMOP
REGISTRATION - SUPPLIERS AND RETAIL METERING SERVICES	2.4.2	<u>2.4.3</u> 2.4.2 Distribution Utilities before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to <u>Contestable Retail</u> Customers, as Supplier and/or Supplier of Last	2.4.3 Distribution Utilities before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to <i>Retail Customers</i> , as <i>Supplier</i> and/or <i>Supplier of Last Resort</i> , shall	<u>2.4.6</u> 2.4.3 xxx	Renumbering		NGCP: <u>2.4.6</u> 2.4.3 2.4.2 Distribution Utilities before being able to transact for the	NGCP: Same response to general comment	Adopt IEMOP

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PROVIDERS		<i>Resort, shall register as a Direct WESM Member in accordance with the requirements and procedures for registration set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2 for transactions in respect to the supply of electricity to Contestable Retail Customers.</i>	register as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> in accordance with the requirements and procedures for registration set out in the <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2 for transactions in respect to the supply of electricity to <i>Retail Customers</i> .				supply of electricity to Contestable Retail Customers, as Local RES Supplier and/or <i>Supplier of Last Resort</i> , shall register as a <i>Direct WESM Member</i> in accordance with the requirements and procedures for registration set out in the <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2 for transactions in respect to the supply of electricity to Contestable Retail Customers.		
REGISTRATION - SUPPLIERS AND RETAIL METERING SERVICES PROVIDERS	(new)	(new)		<u>2.4.7 Suppliers of Last Resort that are already registered in the WESM and already providing supply to any category of Retail Customers listed in Section 2.2.1 of this Retail Rules may also provide supply to other categories of Retail Customers subject to submission of supplemental registration requirements as may be</u>	To govern registration of existing SOLR wishing to serve other Retail Customer categories	MERALCO: What are the supplemental registration requirements contemplated in this provision? The list of these additional requirements and the rationale or circumstance for their requirement should	MERALCO: 2.4.7 <i>Suppliers of Last Resort</i> that are already registered in the <i>WESM</i> and already providing supply to any category of <i>Retail Customers</i> listed in Section 2.2.1 of this Retail Rules may also provide supply to	MERALCO: Supplemental MPA (SMPA) with proof of authority of signatory to cover Retail Aggregation if already registered SOLR for RCOA, and vice-versa. The original MPA for SOLR they executed does not cover the other, hence the need for SMPA.	Adopt IEMOP

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				<u>required by relevant rules or issuances.</u>		be explained in detail in this provision. We propose deleting the portion that has been struck through until there is a specific list of requirements and such list has been discussed with stakeholders.	other categories of <i>Retail Customers</i> subject to submission of supplemental registration requirements as may be required by relevant rules or issuances.		
							NGCP: <u>2.4.7 Suppliers of Last Resort that are already registered in the WESM and already providing supply to any category of Contestable Retail Customers listed in Section 2.2.1 of this Retail Rules may also provide supply to other categories of Contestable Retail Customers subject to submission of supplemental registration requirements as may</u>	NGCP: Same response to general comment	Adopt IEMOP

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							<u>be required by relevant rules or issuances</u>		
REGISTRATION - SUPPLIERS AND RETAIL METERING SERVICES PROVIDERS	2.4.3	2.4.3 2.4.4 Before being able to provide metering services for Contestable Retail Customers, a Retail Metering Services Provider shall: 2.4.3.1 2.4.4.1 Hold license as a Retail Metering Services Provider issued by the ERC; and 2.4.3.2 2.4.4.2 Register in the WESM as a Retail Metering Services Provider and shall fulfil all such registration requirements as set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2 and relevant Market Manual.	2.4.4 Before being able to provide metering services for Retail Customers, a Retail Metering Services Provider shall: 2.4.4.1 Hold license as a Retail Metering Services Provider issued by the ERC; and 2.4.4.2 Register in the WESM as a Retail Metering Services Provider and shall fulfil all such registration requirements as set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2 and relevant Market Manual.	2.4.8 2.4.4 Before being able to provide metering services for Retail Customers, a Retail Metering Services Provider shall: 2.4.8.1 2.4.4.1 Hold license as a Retail Metering Services Provider issued by the ERC; and 2.4.8.2 2.4.4.2 Register in the WESM as a Retail Metering Services Provider and shall fulfil all such registration requirements as set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2 and relevant Market Manual.	Renumbering	MERALCO: Please see some minor revisions	MERALCO: 2.4.8 Before being able to provide metering services for to Retail Customers, a Retail Metering Services Provider shall: 2.4.8.1 -Hold a license as a Retail Metering Services Provider issued by the ERC; and 2.4.8.2 Register in the WESM as a Retail Metering Services Provider and shall fulfil all such registration requirements as set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2 and relevant Market	MERALCO: Okay with proposed revision.	Adopt IEMOP

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							Manual.		
						NGCP: Retain Contestable Customers		NGCP: Same response to general comment	Adopt IEMOP
REGISTRATION - SUPPLIERS AND RETAIL METERING SERVICES PROVIDERS	2.4.4	2.4.4 2.4.5 At the commencement of retail competition, the Distribution Utilities shall serve as the default Retail Metering Services Provider for Contestable <u>Retail Customers</u> with service addresses located within their franchise area, and as such, are deemed shall registered in the WESM without need of complying <u>in accordance</u> with the requirements set in Clause 2.4.3 of this Chapter 2. <u>The Market Operator may also require existing Retail Metering Services Providers currently serving Contestable Customers who intends to provide service to GEOP End-Users to submit registration</u>	2.4.5 Distribution Utilities shall serve as the default Retail Metering Services Provider for <i>Retail Customers</i> with service addresses located within their franchise area, and shall register in the WESM in accordance with the requirements set in Clause 2.4.3 of this Chapter 2. The <i>Market Operator</i> may also require existing <i>Retail Metering Services Providers</i> currently serving <i>Contestable Customers</i> who intends to provide service to <i>GEOP End-Users</i> to submit registration requirements.	2.4.9-2.4.5 xxx	Renumbering	PEMC: Rewording to incorporate the aggregated group	PEMC: xxx 2. <u>The Market Operator may also require existing Retail Metering Services Providers currently serving Contestable Customers who intends to provide service to GEOP End-Users and Aggregated Group to submit registration requirements.</u>	PEMC: Agree	Adopt IEMOP and PEMC’s insertion 2.4.5 Distribution Utilities shall serve as the default Retail Metering Services Provider for <i>Retail Customers</i> with service addresses located within their franchise area, and shall register in the WESM in accordance with the requirements set in Clause

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		<u>requirements.</u>							2.4.3 of this Chapter 2. The <i>Market Operator</i> may also require existing <i>Retail Metering Services Providers</i> currently serving <i>Contestable Customers</i> who intends to provide service to <i>GEOP End-Users</i> <u>and</u> <u><i>Aggregated Group</i></u> to submit registration requirements
						MERALCO: May we clarify what other registration requirements are being contemplated for existing RMSPs?		MERALCO: Supplemental MPA (SMPA) with proof of authority of signatory to cover GEOP if already registered RMSP for RCOA,	

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						The list of these additional requirements and the rationale or circumstance for their requirement should be explained in detail in this provision.		and vice-versa. The original MPA for RMSP they executed do not cover the other, hence the need for SMPA. Suggest to delete last sentence of 2.4.9 since it is already covered by proposed new section 2.4.10.	
							NGCP: Distribution Utilities before being able to transact for the supply of electricity to <u>Contestable Retail Customers</u> , as <u>Local RES Supplier</u> and/or Supplier of Last Resort, shall register as a Direct WESM Member in accordance with the requirements and procedures for registration set out in the WESM Rules Chapter 2 for transactions in respect to the supply	NGCP: Same response to general comment	

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							of electricity to Retail Customers 2.4.9 2.4.4 2.4.5 At the commencement of retail competition, the Distribution Utilities shall serve as the default Retail Metering Services Provider for Contestable Retail Customers with service addresses located within their franchise area, and as such, are deemed <u>shall</u> registered in the WESM without need of complying in accordance with the requirements set in Clause 2.4.3 of this		

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							Chapter 2. <u>The Market Operator may also require existing Retail Metering Services Providers currently serving Contestable Customers who intends to provide service to GEOP End-Users to submit registration requirements.</u>		
REGISTRATION - SUPPLIERS AND RETAIL METERING SERVICES PROVIDERS	(new)	(new)		<u>2.4.10 Retail Metering Services Providers that are already registered in the WESM and already providing metering services to any category of Retail Customers listed in Section 2.2.1 of this Retail Rules may also provide metering services to other categories of Retail Customers subject to submission of supplemental registration requirements as may be required by relevant rules or issuances.</u>	To govern registration of existing RMSPs wishing to serve other Retail Customer categories	MERALCO: May we clarify what other registration requirements are being contemplated for existing RMSPs? The list of these additional requirements and the rationale or circumstance for their requirement should be explained in detail in this provision.		MERALCO: Supplemental MPA (SMPA) with proof of authority of signatory to cover GEOP if already registered RMSP for RCOA, and vice-versa. The original MPA for RMSP they executed do not cover the other, hence the need for SMPA.	IEMOP will issue an advisory for additional requirements Adopt IEMOP
							NGCP: <u>2.4.10 Retail Metering Services</u>	NGCP: Same response to general comment.	

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							<u>Providers that are already registered in the WESM and already providing metering services to any category of Contestable Retail Customers listed in Section 2.2.1 of this Retail Rules may also provide metering services to other categories of Contestable Retail Customers subject to submission of supplemental registration requirements as may be required by relevant rules or issuances.</u>		
REGISTRATION - REGISTRATION PROCESS	2.5	2.5 Registration Process The <i>Central Registration Body</i> shall prepare and publish a <i>Market Manual</i> in accordance with Chapter 8 of the <i>WESM Rules</i> which sets out:	2.5 Registration Process The <i>Central Registration Body</i> shall prepare and publish a <i>Market Manual</i> in accordance with Chapter 8 of the <i>WESM Rules</i> which sets out:	2.5 Registration Process The <i>Central Registration Body</i> shall prepare and publish a <i>Market Manual</i> in accordance with Chapter 8 of the <i>WESM Rules</i> which sets out:	To govern registration of Retail Aggregation participants	PEMC: Clauses 2.5.1 and 2.5.2 can be merged since they state the same requirements on the development of a Market Manual	PEMC: xxx 2.5.1 The requirements and procedures which Retail Electricity Suppliers, Retail Aggregators,	PEMC: Agree. We note that while detailed requirements and procedures for registration of Retail Aggregator and Aggregated Groups are incorporated in the Retail Registration Manual,	Adopt IEMOP

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		<p>The requirements and procedures which <u>Retail Electricity Suppliers, Contestable Customers and Retail Metering Services Providers</u> shall follow to enable registration in the WESM, which requirements and procedures shall be consistent with relevant provisions of <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2.</p> <p><u>2.5.2 The requirements and procedures which Renewable Energy Suppliers, Retail Customers and Retail Metering Services Providers shall comply with to enable registration in the WESM; and</u></p> <p>2.5.2 <u>2.5.3</u> The data required to be provided to the Central Registration Body for registration as a <i>Supplier</i>,</p>	<p>2.5.1 The requirements and procedures which Retail Electricity <i>Suppliers, Contestable Customers and Retail Metering Services Providers</i> shall follow to enable registration in the WESM, which requirements and procedures shall be consistent with relevant provisions of <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2;</p> <p>2.5.2 The requirements and procedures which <i>Renewable Energy Suppliers, Retail Customers and Retail Metering Services Providers</i> shall comply with to enable registration in the WESM; and</p> <p>2.5.3 The data required to be provided to the <i>Central Registration Body</i> for registration as a <i>Supplier</i>,</p>	<p>2.5.1 The requirements and procedures which Retail Electricity <i>Suppliers, <u>Retail Aggregators, Contestable Customers, <u>Aggregated Groups</u></u></i> and <i>Retail Metering Services Providers</i> shall follow to enable registration in the WESM, which requirements and procedures shall be consistent with relevant provisions of <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2.</p> <p>2.5.2 The requirements and procedures which <i>Renewable Energy Suppliers, Retail Customers and Retail Metering Services Providers</i> shall comply with to enable registration in the WESM; and</p> <p>2.5.3 The data required to be provided to the <i>Central Registration Body</i> for</p>			<p>Contestable Customers, <u>Aggregated Groups</u> <u>Retail Customers</u> and <i>Retail Metering Services Providers</i> shall follow to enable registration in the WESM, which requirements and procedures shall be consistent with relevant provisions of <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2.</p>	<p>detailed requirements and procedures for registration of Renewable Energy Suppliers and GEOP End-Users are incorporated in a separate GEOP Manual.</p>	
						<p>MERALCO:</p> <p>For confirmation on process for recognition of the legal standing or personality of an Aggregated Group to register before the WESM. Will the Aggregated Group be required to formally</p>		<p>MERALCO:</p> <p>IEMOP shall accept Secretary’s Certificate or Special Power of Attorney or other documents that is acceptable under civil and corporation laws as sufficient authorization for the authorized representative to act on behalf of the Aggregated</p>	

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		Contestable <u>Retail</u> Customer, or Retail Metering Services Provider.	Retail Customer, or Retail Metering Services Provider.	registration as a <i>Supplier, Retail Customer, or Retail Metering Services Provider.</i>		organize themselves as such? Will this be tackled and laid down in the Market Manual? We propose that we consult ERC regarding the legal standing or personality of an Aggregated Group.		Group.	
							NGCP: 2.5.1 The requirements and procedures which <u>Retail Electricity Suppliers including Retail Aggregators, Contestable Customers including Aggregated Groups, and Retail Metering Services Providers</u> shall follow to enable registration in the <i>WESM</i> , which requirements and procedures shall be consistent with relevant provisions of <i>WESM Rules</i> Chapter 2.	NGCP: Same response to general comment	

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							<p><u>2.5.2 The requirements and procedures which Renewable Energy Suppliers, Retail Customers GEOP End-users and Retail Metering Services Providers shall comply with to enable registration in the WESM; and</u></p> <p><u>2.5.2 2.5.3</u> The data required to be provided to the Central Registration Body for registration as a <u>Retail Electricity</u></p>		

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							Supplier, Contestable Retail Customer, or Retail Metering Services Provider.		
THE MARKET – RETAIL CUSTOMER TRANSACTIONS	(new)	(new)		<u>3.2.1.6 Only a Retail Aggregator may submit a switch request to the Central Registration Body for Aggregated Groups.</u>	To clarify that Retail Aggregators shall submit switch request for Aggregated Groups	MERALCO: Please see some minor revisions	MERALCO: 3.2.1.6 Only a Retail Aggregator may submit a switch request to the Central Registration Body for <u>an</u> Aggregated Groups.	MERALCO: Okay with proposed revision.	Adopt MERALCO’s comment
						NGCP: Noted.			
THE MARKET – RETAIL CUSTOMER TRANSACTIONS	(new)	(new)		<u>3.2.1.7 In transacting with Aggregated Groups, the Central Registration Body shall consider the Aggregated Group as a single entity whose transactions shall uniformly apply to all its Aggregated Members.</u>	To clarify that CRB shall transact with Aggregated Group as a single entity	MERALCO: Please see some minor revisions	MERALCO: 3.2.1.7 In transacting with <u>an</u> Aggregated Groups, the Central Registration Body shall consider the Aggregated Group as a single entity whose transactions shall uniformly apply to all its Aggregated Members.	MERALCO: Okay with proposed revision.	Adopt MERALCO’s comment
						NGCP: Noted.			
THE MARKET – RETAIL CUSTOMER	(new)	(new)		<u>3.2.1.8 Switching of Aggregated Members from one Aggregated Group to another shall be coordinated only among the</u>	To clarify that CRB shall transact with Aggregated Group as a single entity	PEMC: To avoid confusion, “transfer” instead of	PEMC: <u>3.2.1.8 Switching Transfer of</u>	PEMC: Agree	Adopt PEMC’s comment

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TRANSACTIONS				<u>current Retail Aggregator, prospective Retail Aggregator, as applicable, the Network Service Provider and the Retail Metering Services Provider. The registration of the Aggregated Groups with the Central Registration Body shall not be affected by the switching of any of its Aggregated Member.</u>		“switch” can be used to refer transfer of Aggregated Members from one Aggregated Group to another.	<u>Aggregated Members from one Aggregated Group to another shall be coordinated only among the current Retail Aggregator, prospective Retail Aggregator, as applicable, the Network Service Provider and the Retail Metering Services Provider. The registration of the Aggregated Groups with the Central Registration Body shall not be affected by the switching transfer of any of its Aggregated Member.</u>		
						NGCP: Noted.			











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