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TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
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Excerpt from the journal of the 108th Regular Session of the 11th Council of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, City of Bacolod held on Wednesday, July 24, 2024 at the Session Hall of Bacolod City Government Center.

PRESENT:

Vice Mayor El Cid M. Familiaran	Presiding Officer
Councilor Renecito S. Novero	Acting Floor Leader
Councilor Israel P. Salanga	
Councilor Cindy T. Rojas	
Councilor Em L. Ang	
Councilor Vladimir S. Gonzalez	
Councilor Jason Isidro S. Villarosa	
Councilor Claudio Jesus Raymundo A. Puentevella	
Councilor Simplicia Z. Distrito	
Councilor Celia Matea R. Flor	
Councilor Psyche Marie E. Sy	
Councilor Danna Marie C. Barzo	

OFFICIAL LEAVE:

Councilor Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson
Councilor Al Victor A. Espino
Councilor Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen



RESOLUTION NO. 599
Series of 2024

RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING NEGROS ELECTRIC AND POWER CORPORATION (NEPC) TO FURNISH THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF BACOLOD CITY THEIR PROPOSED PLAN OF ACTIONS RELATIVE TO THE FREQUENT AND UNSCHEDULED POWER OUTAGES THAT CENTRAL NEGROS COOPERATIVE (CENECO) IS CURRENTLY EXPERIENCING AND THEIR COURSE OF ACTION TO MITIGATE THE SAME BEFORE THEY TAKE OVER THE MANAGEMENT THIS AUGUST 2024.

Upon motion of Councilor Claudio Jesus Raymundo A. Puentevella, jointly seconded by Councilors Simplicia Z. Distrito, Em L. Ang, Celia Matea R. Flor and Israel P. Salanga, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod

RESOLVED, to pass the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 9 of Article 16 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall protect consumers from trade malpractices and from substandard or hazardous products;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160 or otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that the Local Government Units shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

WHEREAS, Public utilities are privately or publicly owned and operated businesses whose service are essential to the general public. They are enterprises which specially cater to the needs of the public and conduce to their comfort and convenience. As such, public utility services are impressed with public interest and concern;

WHEREAS, last June 3, 2023, a Joint Venture Agreement was entered into by Prime Electric Holdings Inc., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, duly represented by its President and CEO Mr Roel Z. Castro, and Negros Electric Cooperative (CENECO) and on November 13, 2023, National Electric Administration (NEA) has granted its conditional consent to the proposed Joint Venture Agreement between NEPC and CENECO;

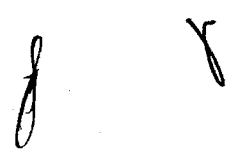
WHEREAS, Bacolod resident consumers of CENECO had experience numerous instances of power interruption for the past weeks. That in several instances, most power interruptions are unscheduled which causes inconvenience to the resident consumers.

WHEREAS, the frequent power interruption causes economic disruption, which can affect business productivity in the City of Bacolod;

WHEREAS, in an interview, CENECO'S General Manager Atty. Arnel Lapore explained that CENECO's problems can be solved through the joint venture agreement with Negros Electric and Power Corp (NEPC), which investment involves P2.1 billion in infrastructure and facilities once they take over;

WHEREAS, it is requested from the management of Negros Electric and Power Corporation (NEPC), to furnish the Members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod proposed plan of actions on how to address the causes of the frequent power interruption, whether scheduled or unscheduled and also to provide written report on what are the course of action taken to mitigate or the rectify the same;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to respectfully request Negros Electric and Power Corporation (NEPC) to furnish the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod City their proposed plan of actions relative to the frequent and unscheduled power outages that Central Negros Cooperative (CENECO) is currently experiencing and their course of action to mitigate the same before they take over the management this August 2024.




CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative :

Councilors : Israel P. Salanga, Cindy T. Rojas, Em L. Ang, Vladimir S. Gonzalez,
Renecito S. Novero, Jason Isidro S. Villarosa, Claudio Jesus
Raymundo A. Puentevella, Simplicia Z. Distrito, Celia Matea R. Flor,
Psyche Marie E. Sy, Danna Marie C. Barzo.

Negative : N o n e .

Comments : P a s s e d .


ELPIDIO W. FAMILIARAN
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. VICENTE C. PETIERRE III
Secretary to the Sanggunian

By:


CHRISTINE G. TEMPLA
Board Secretary IV

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