

Republic of the Philippines
ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
Pasig City

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
APPLICATION FOR THE
APPROVAL OF THE
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
PROJECTS FOR THE YEARS
2023 – 2025**

ERC CASE NO. 2026-019 RC

**SURIGAO DEL NORTE
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE,
INC. (SURNECO),**

Applicant.

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Promulgated:
March 09, 2026

NOTICE OF VIRTUAL HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that on 05 February 2026, the Surigao del Norte Electric Cooperative, Inc. (SURNECO) filed, through the Energy Virtual One-Stop Shop (EVOSS) portal, an *Application* dated 12 January 2026, seeking the Commission’s approval of its Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) projects for the years 2023 to 2025.

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

The Commission has set the instant *Application* for hearing for the determination of compliance with the jurisdictional requirements, expository presentation, and Pre-trial Conference¹ on **13 April 2026 (Monday) at two o’clock in the afternoon (2:00 PM)** via **MS Teams Application** as the online platform for the conduct thereof, pursuant to pertinent rules of the Commission.

Accordingly, SURNECO is hereby directed to host the virtual hearing at **SURNECO’s principal office located at Surigao City, Surigao del Norte**, as the designated venue for the conduct thereof

¹ Summary Proceedings pursuant to the Commission’s Resolution No. 16, Series of 2025.

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and ensure that the same is open to the public. Moreover, SURNECO shall guarantee that, during the conduct of the expository presentation, the participation of the public shall not be impaired.

Any interested stakeholder may submit its comments and/or clarifications at least **one (1) calendar day** prior to the scheduled virtual hearing, via electronic mail (e-mail) at docket@erc.ph, and copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph. The Commission shall give priority to the stakeholders who have duly submitted their respective comments and/or clarifications, to discuss the same and propound questions during the course of the expository presentation.

Moreover, any person who has an interest in the subject matter of the instant case may become a party by filing with the Commission via e-mail at docket@erc.ph, and copy furnishing the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, a verified Petition to Intervene at least **five (5) calendar days** prior to the date of the scheduled virtual hearing. The verified Petition to Intervene must follow the requirements under Rule 9 of the ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure, indicating therein the docket number and title of the case, and state the following:

- 1) The petitioner's name, mailing address, and e-mail address;
- 2) The nature of petitioner's interest in the subject matter of the proceeding and the way and manner in which such interest is affected by the issues involved in the proceeding; and
- 3) A statement of the relief desired.

Likewise, all other persons who may want their views known to the Commission with respect to the subject matter of the case may file through e-mail at docket@erc.ph, copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph, their Opposition or Comment thereon **at least five (5) calendar days** prior to the scheduled virtual hearing. Rule 9 of the ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure shall govern. No particular form of Opposition or Comment is required, but the document, letter, or writing should contain the following:

- 1) The name, mailing address, and e-mail address of the person;
- 2) A concise statement of the Opposition or Comment; and

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3) The grounds relied upon.

All interested parties filing their Petition to Intervene, Opposition or Comment are required to submit the hard copies thereof through personal service, registered mail or ordinary mail/private courier, **within five (5) working days** from the date that the same were electronically submitted, as reflected in the acknowledgement receipt e-mail sent by the Commission.

Finally, all interested persons may be allowed to join the scheduled virtual hearing by providing the Commission, through legal.virtualhearings@erc.ph, their respective e-mail addresses, indicating therein the case number of the instant *Application*. The Commission will send the access link/s to the aforementioned hearing platform within five (5) working days prior to the scheduled hearing.

WITNESS, the Honorable Chairperson and CEO **FRANCIS SATURNINO C. JUAN** and the Honorable Commissioners **FLORESINDA G. BALDO-DIGAL**, **MARKO ROMEO L. FUENTES**, **AMANTE A. LIBERATO** and **PARIS G. REAL**, Energy Regulatory Commission, in Pasig City.

FOR AND BY AUTHORITY
OF THE COMMISSION:

Maria Corazon C. Gines

ATTY. MARIA CORAZON C. GINES*
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* Authority granted pursuant to Office Order No. 71, Series of 2025.