MEMORANDUM No. 2013-006

TO : ALL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES (ECs)

SUBJECT : Commission on Elections (COMELEC) Resolution No. 9597 Promulgated on December 21, 2012

The Commission on Elections (COMELEC) promulgated on December 21, 2012 Resolution No. 9597 “In the Matter of Deputizing the National Electrification Administration, National Power Corporation and the Local Electrification Cooperatives in Connection with the May 13, 2013 National and Local Elections” (copy attached).

The National Electrification Administration, National Power Corporation and Electric Cooperatives have been deputized under the said Resolution to perform the following duties and functions:

1. Provide and maintain stable and continuous nationwide electric power requirements from May 13 to 20, 2013 that will be used in the voting and counting of votes, transmission and consolidation of results and proclamation of winning candidates; and

2. They are hereby authorized to shut off other users of electric power such as industries and other large commercial establishments during the said period to about 300 megawatts and to allocate these savings of electric power for distribution to strategic areas for use during the critical period of elections and for this purpose to:
   a. Secure, as much as possible, voluntary load curtailment commitments from the industries and large establishments prior to exercising their power of unilaterally curtailing the power needs of said industries and large establishments;
   b. Give priority to the electrical power needs at the distribution and retrieval centers, voting and counting places at the precinct level and at the canvassing centers; and
   c. Adopt such other measures as maybe necessary to accomplish the purposes of this deputation.

Thus, in compliance with the COMELEC Resolution, you are hereby directed to undertake all the necessary preparations to ensure continuous power supply in your respective areas during the period.

EDITA S. BUENO
Administrator
Republic of the Philippines
COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS
Manila

IN THE MATTER OF BRILLANTES, Sixto, Jr. S., Chairman
DEPUTIZING THE NATIONAL SARMIENTO, Rene V., Commissioner
ELECTRIFICATION TAGLE, Lucenito N., Commissioner
ADMINISTRATION, THE VELASCO, Armando C., Commissioner
NATIONAL POWER YUSOPH, Elias R., Commissioner
CORPORATION AND THE LIM, Christian Robert S., Commissioner
LOCAL ELECTRIFICATION PADACA, Maria Gracia Cielo M. Commissioner
COOPERATIVES IN

CONNECTION WITH THE MAY
13, 2013 NATIONAL AND LOCAL
ELECTIONS.

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RESOLUTION NO. 9597

WHEREAS, the Commission on Elections is mandated to conduct and ensure the holding of a free, orderly, honest, peaceful, credible automated national and local elections on May 13, 2013;

WHEREAS, for the said purpose, there is an imperative need to provide sufficient uninterrupted electrical power supply during the critical days of the elections;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission on Elections, pursuant to the powers vested in it by the Constitution, the Omnibus Election Code, Republic Act No. 9369 and other related election laws, RESOLVED, as it hereby RESOLVES, as follows:

SECTION 1. Deputation. – To deputize the National Electrification Administration, the National Power Corporation, and the Local Electrification Cooperatives in connection with the conduct of the May 13, 2013 national and local elections.

SEC. 2 Duties and Functions. – As such deputies, they shall have the following duties and functions:

1. Provide and maintain stable and continuous nationwide electric power requirements from May 13 to 20, 2013 that will be used in the
voting and counting of votes, transmission and consolidation of results and proclamation of winning candidates;

2. They are hereby authorized to shut off other users of electric power such as industries and other large commercial establishments during the said period to about 300 megawatts and to allocate these savings of electric power for distribution to strategic areas for use during the critical period of elections and for this purpose to:

   a. Secure, as much as possible, voluntary load curtailment commitments from the industries and large establishments prior to exercising their powers of unilaterally curtailing the power needs of said industries and large establishments;

   b. Give priority to the electrical power needs at the distribution and retrieval centers, voting and counting places at the precinct level and at the canvassing centers; and

   c. Adopt such other measures as maybe necessary to accomplish the purposes of this deputation.

The Education and Information Department shall cause the immediate publication of this resolution in two daily (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines, and furnish copies thereof to all parties concerned.

The Executive Director shall implement this Resolution.

SO ORDERED.

SIXTO S. BRILLANTES, JR.
Chairman

RENE V. SARMIENTO
Commissioner

ARmando C. VELASCO
Commissioner

CHRISTIAN ROBERT S. LIM
Commissioner

LUCENITON. TAGLE
Commissioner

ELIAS K. YUSOYOH
Commissioner

MARIA GRACIA CIELO M. PADACA
Commissioner