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**INSTITUTIONAL & LEGAL ADVISORY NO. 01**

**TO : ALL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES**

**SUBJECT : REQUIRED ATTENDANCE TO AT LEAST TWO (2) AGMA FOR THE LAST FIVE (5) YEARS QUALIFICATION OF AN EC BOARD DIRECTOR**

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This Advisory intends to eliminate misinterpretations on the qualification of an EC Board Director, particularly on the required attendance to at least two (2) Annual General Membership Assemblies (AGMA) for the last five (5) years immediately preceding the election or appointment as stated in Section 14 (g) of the DOE Department Circular No. 2013-07-0015 otherwise known as the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. 10531, which provides:

Section 14.

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- g. he or she has attended at least two (2) Annual General Membership Assemblies (AGMA) for the last five (5) years immediately preceding the election or appointment.

Thus, to avoid conflicting interpretations on the above provision, Electric Cooperatives which were unable to conduct AGMA for at least two (2) occasions for the last five (5) years preceding the election, thus rendering it impossible for anyone to qualify as a candidate, the 5-year requirement shall be interpreted as the last five (5) years that the EC was able to conduct its AGMA.

For your guidance.

  
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