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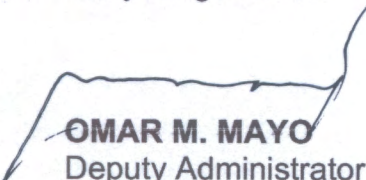
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As the Electric Cooperatives (ECs) navigate the challenges of an increasingly digitalized energy environment, the National Electrification Administration (NEA) strongly advocates for the active involvement of the Information Communication Technology (ICT) personnel and/or other ICT experts in the critical decision making as well as in the operation of their respective ECs. Cybersecurity resiliency should be a primordial consideration to counter potential cyber-attacks on the critical infrastructures of the ECs such as records, files and other vital information.

Additionally, the ICT personnel/experts will play a significant role in the ongoing project of integrating the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) of all ECs into the command center located in NEA.

The ICT heads and other ICT personnel are likewise enjoined to actively participate in the Executive, Management and other Committees where information technology and other related issues are discussed and deliberated upon or which may be a factor in the decision making process of the General Manager, Board of Directors, managers and officers of the ECs.

For your guidance.

  
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