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**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS
OCCIDENTAL HELD IN THE CITY OF BACOLOD ON THE 23RD DAY OF JULY
2024**

PRESENT:

Hon. Araceli T. Somosa	Temporary Presiding Officer
Hon. Rommel T. Debulgado	Member - 1 st District
Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr.	Member - 2 nd District
Hon. Andrew Gerard L. Montelibano	Member - 3 rd District
Hon. Manuel Frederick O. Ko	Member - 3 rd District
Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao	Member - 5 th District
Hon. Valentino Miguel J. Alonso	Member - 6 th District
Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola	Member - 6 th District
Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan	Member - ABC
Hon. Mayvelyn L. Madrid	Member – SK Rep.

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Hon. Jeffrey P. Ferrer	Vice Governor/ Presiding Officer
Hon. Samson C. Mirhan	Member - 2 nd District
Hon. Andrew Martin Y. Torres	Member - 4 th District
Hon. Anthony Dennis J. Occeño	Member - 5 th District
Hon. Julius Martin D. Asistio	Member – PCL Rep.

ABSENT:

Hon. Jose Benito A. Alonso (On Leave)	Member - 4 th District
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RESOLUTION NO. 0888
Series of 2024

RESOLUTION SUMMARIZING THE RESULTS OF A CONSULTATIVE MEETING WITH THE THREE (3) ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVES IN NEGROS OCCIDENTAL NAMELY: NEGROS OCCIDENTAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE (NOCECO), CENTRAL NEGROS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE (CENECO) AND NORTHERN NEGROS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE (NONECO) HELD ON JULY 9, 2024

Authored by: Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr.
Hon. Valentino Miguel J. Alonso and Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan

WHEREAS, the Consultative Meeting was attended and represented by the three (3) Electric Cooperatives together with the members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan namely: Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Hon. Valentino Miguel Alonso, and Hon. Richard Julius Sablan and Representative from the City Engineers Office of Bacolod City, Engr. Noel Olea, held on July 9, 2024 at the SP Session Hall;

WHEREAS, the transfer of information has proven to be valuable and essential for the formulation of an Ordinance underscoring the following salient points;

WHEREAS, the Negros Occidental base demand for power is estimated at Four Hundred Sixty Five Megawatts (465 MW) where Two Hundred Twenty Megawatts (220 MW) is consumed during daytime and the rest is during nighttime;



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WHEREAS, while the remaining Two Hundred Forty Five Megawatts (245 MW) is supplied from adjacent sources within Visayas Region presumably supplied by Coal-fired Power Plant, Diesel-run engines and other sources thereto, however, it remains to be a problem challenging the need for appropriate solution;

WHEREAS, the Negros Occidental has the largest Voltaic Solar System in the entire Philippines and also in the Southeast Asia because of several reasons such as geographic location and the presence of strategic substation for easy access to supply the requirements of adjacent neighbouring consumer;

WHEREAS, Negros may have the largest Voltaic Solar System using sizeable power but it may not prove to be available during nocturnal period due to the absence of a **battery storage** which is essential for supplying the solar power produced which is cheaper during daytime for the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM) distribution for night time as more low demand is recorded at this point;

WHEREAS, the City of Cadiz having the most advantageous in terms of geographical location because of its flat topography and i-radiants that can access solar radiations efficiently from north, south, east, and west at the northern tip of the Negros Island, thus, remains unhampered by a mountainous area;

WHEREAS, the power generated by renewable energy such as hydroelectric, run of the river power, multi-solar system, wind power, diesel electric, and among others are contributors to power generation in the bandwagon of Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM) where Internal Electric Market Operation (IEMOP) is the centerpiece of power marketing as regulated by the Department of Health (DOH) thru the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) and the National Electric Administration;

WHEREAS, the need for a privatization of electric power distributor is another alternative for improvement in services that will be satisfactory for the consumer of electric power in Negros Occidental where it is meant to render effective, efficient, and timely speedy delivery of services at affordable cost, reliable, available, and sustainable power generated from the mixed power of various origins aforementioned;

WHEREAS, it is noteworthy, that the privatization program thru Republic Act No. 11966 otherwise known as "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP) CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES" will open a new doorway for efficient delivery in a timely manner of services for the satisfaction of the public;

WHEREAS, the need for the deferment or staggered collection of payment of household electrical bill is being proposed during the off-milling season period such as July, August, and September and resume on October, November, and December where Negrenses may have a better breath of economy due to presumption of milling operations for that period;

WHEREAS, there is a need for a close communication link between the three (3) power distributor and the Province of Negros Occidental thru the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and the Consultant on Energy and Environment to maintain continuous and sustainable flow of transfer of information for legislative actions;



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WHEREAS, Negros has the numerous rivers and streams needed to be tapped as another source of hydroelectricity adopting the run of the river technology where penstock is used in order to drive the turbine in order to produce power;

WHEREAS, other sources of energy is essentially a requirement as an addition to the bandwagon of power generator in order to be available, affordable, reliable, and sustainable. Renewable and non-renewable, it is important that the people will be fully satisfied in terms of uninterrupted power supply and preferably at affordable cost;

WHEREAS, the imperative to provide a better incentives and other government intervention towards encouragement of more power generation is also a major factor in consideration to ultimately reduce the power generation cost which constitute to Seventy Percent (70%) of the total cost of power absorbed by the household electric consumer;

WHEREAS, there is a strong desire to develop and adopt the N-1 contingency design of power supply system to avert power interruption and satisfy the household consumers;

WHEREAS, the need to formulate a household load consumption discipline must be addressed to guide the public to judiciously consume electric power. As more load demand means more power generation need as well as transmission network or grid-lines resulting to relatively higher cost per Kilowatt Hour (Kwh);

NOW THEREFORE, premises considered the aforementioned essential information needs a more focused attention for government intervention to trigger more participation thru investment for power generation in the Province of Negros Occidental;

WHEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr., seconded by Hon. Valentino Miguel J. Alonso and Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan;

THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN RESOLVED, as it hereby resolves, to summarize the results of a Consultative Meeting with the three (3) Electric Power Cooperatives in Negros Occidental namely: Negros Occidental Electric Cooperative (NOCECO), Central Negros Electric Cooperative (CENECO) And Northern Negros Electric Cooperative (NONECO) held on July 9, 2024;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnish to the Office of the Energy Regulatory Commission thru the Department of Energy of the Republic of the Philippines, Negros Occidental Electric Cooperative (NOCECO), Central Negros Electric Cooperative (CENECO), And Northern Negros Electric Cooperative (NONECO);

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that same copy be furnish to Governor Eugenio Jose "Bong" Lacson, Vice Governor Jeffrey Ferrer, former Governor Rafael "Lito" Coscolluela, Consultant on Energy and Environment, and the Municipal and City Mayors of the Thirty-One (31) Local Government Units in the Province of Negros Occidental.



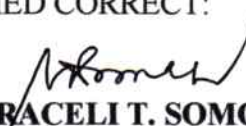
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ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


HON. ARACELI T. SOMOSA
Temporary Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


ATTY. MAKI ANGEL O. ASCALON
Provincial Secretary

Copy for: all concerned
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