



TRIPARTITE ADVISORY ON LIFELINE IRR

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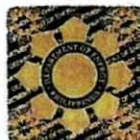
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The DSWD, DOE, and ERC have observed a noticeable increase in the number of qualified marginalized end-users (QMEs) who have registered under the Lifeline Rate Program as of 25 August 2023. In spite of the significant increase in the number of registrants, there remains a considerable number of QMEs who have yet to avail of the benefits of registering under the Lifeline Rate Program.


All Distribution Utilities (DUs) are directed to exert more aggressive promotion efforts to disseminate information on the Lifeline Rate Program and to continue accepting and processing applications. To allow for the roll-out of more aggressive promotion and registration efforts from DUs, consumers and the Government, as well as for the review of the registration requirements, the full implementation of the new Lifeline Rate Program is hereby moved to January 2024. Starting 1 January 2024, only those who have approved applications shall be entitled to avail of the subsidy provided under the Lifeline Rate Program.

For your guidance and strict compliance.


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