

Republic of the Philippines  
**ENERGY INVESTMENT COORDINATING COUNCIL**

## **Advisory**

### **Application for Energy Project of National Significance (EPNS)**

The Energy Investment Coordinating Council (EICC), was created pursuant to Executive Order No. 30 (EO30), in order to spearhead and coordinate efforts to harmonize, integrate and streamline the regulatory processes, and forms relevant to the development of energy investments, primarily with regards to Energy Projects of National Significance (EPNS).

As provided in Section 2 of the EO30, the DOE shall identify and endorse the energy projects to be considered as Energy Projects of National Significance (EPNS). Hence interested applicants must comply with the following requirements and procedures to be considered as EPNS:

- 1) The project proponent should officially submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) addressed to the Secretary, copy furnished the Director of the Energy Policy and Planning Bureau (*EPPB-Head EICC Secretariat*) indicating the following intention and justification in a clear and unequivocal manner;
  - a) The project is in consonance with the goals and objectives of the Philippine Energy Plan and that is actually included in the list of projects embodied in the said Plan.
  - b) The proponent must be able to establish in a clear and detailed manner that the proposed project is qualified to be declared as EPNS, by reason of any of the following attributes:
    - capital investment of P3.5 billion;
    - significant contribution to the country's economic development;
    - significant consequential economic impact;
    - significant potential contribution to the country's balance of payment;
    - significant impact on the environment;
    - significant complex technical processes and engineering designs;
    - significant infrastructure requirement.
  
- 2) For project proponents with existing Service Contracts (SCs) and Certificate of Endorsements (COEs), a project revalidation shall be conducted to ensure that they comply with the EPNS requirements. The interim guidelines in the issuance of the Certificate EPNS shall be applied. (See Flow Chart)

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- 3) For new energy project applicants, the validation/evaluation for EPNS qualification shall be determined in parallel with the processing of appropriate SCs and COEs. The Certificate of EPNS shall be issued simultaneously with the SCs or COEs.

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