

RULES CHANGE COMMITTEE

Amendments to Rules Change Committee Internal Rules

Effective Date : 25 April 2024

Page : 1 of 5



WHEREAS, the Rules Change Committee (RCC) adopted Internal Rules to guide its members on their responsibilities, conduct of meetings, duties of the RCC Secretariat, and the administrative procedures to efficiently and effectively facilitate the disposition of the RCC's mandate pursuant to the WESM Rules and WESM Manual on Procedures for Changes to the WESM Rules, Retail Rules and Market Manuals;

WHEREAS, RCC meetings were typically attended by RCC members (principal or alternate members), DOE and ERC Observers, proponent and commenters of rules change proposals, RCC Secretariat, personnel from relevant PEMC functional units (e.g., Legal, Office of Chief Governance Officer) and other interested attendees;

WHEREAS, while the RCC recognizes the collaborative nature of the rules change process that includes inputs and contributions from WESM Members and stakeholders, it also values impartiality in admitting such contributions, integrity of the information arising out of the Committee's deliberations and the orderly conduct of meetings to facilitate arriving at sound decisions;

WHEREAS, concluding that RCC meetings are not public meetings although their documentations are accessible to the public, a more stringent admission of third-party attendees to RCC meetings is believed necessary going forward whereby only those who have specific participation in the agenda of RCC meetings shall be allowed to attend, henceforth limited to the proponents, commenters and resource persons related to rules change proposals and other matters in the RCC's agenda;

WHEREAS, the RCC revised its Internal Rules to reflect the agreement on third party attendees as well as other improvements, as follows:

- a) Other than representatives from government agencies, clarify that third party attendees in RCC meetings shall be limited to proponents, commenters and resource persons on rules change proposals and other RCC matters;
- b) Added the WESM Industry Code of Ethics as one of the bases for professional conduct of RCC members;
- c) Added the Energy Regulatory Commission among the government bodies whom the RCC assists other than the DOE;
- d) Changed timeline of the Secretariat's submission to RCC of the draft meeting highlights from twenty-four (24) hours to one (1) day after the subject meeting to align with current practice; and
- e) Inserted the PEMC website submission facility where proponents and commenters shall officially submit their rules change proposals, comments and supporting documents to facilitate the rules change process.

RESOLVED, we, the undersigned, on behalf of the sectors we represent, hereby resolve that the Rules Change Committee approves and adopts the Rules Change Committee Internal Rules Issue 8.0 (Annex), thereby amending Issue 7.0.

Done this 25th day of April 2024, Pasig City

Approved by: THE RULES CHANGE COMMITTEE	
Independent Members:	
(signed) JESUSITO G. MORALLOS Chairperson	(signed) JOSE RODERICK F. FERNANDO
(signed) RACHEL ANGELA P. ANOSAN	(signed) JORDAN REL C. ORILLAZA
Generation Sector Members:	
(signed) DIXIE ANTHONY R. BANZON Masinloc Power Partners Co. Ltd. (MPPCL)	(signed) CHERRY A. JAVIER Aboitiz Power Corp. (APC)
(signed) CARLITO C. CLAUDIO Millennium Energy, Inc./ Panasia Energy, Inc. (MEI/PEI)	(signed) MARK D. HABANA Vivant Corporation - Philippines (Vivant)
Distribution Sector Members:	
(signed) RYAN S. MORALES Manila Electric Company (MERALCO)	(signed) VIRILIO C. FORTICH, JR. Cebu III Electric Cooperative, Inc. (CEBECO III)
(signed) NELSON M. DELA CRUZ Nueva Ecija II Area 1 Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NEECO II – Area 1)	(signed) RUSSEL S. ALABADO Angeles Electric Corporation (AEC)

Supply Sector Member:

(signed)
GIAN KARLA C. GUTIERREZ
First Gen Corporation
(FGC)

Market Operator Member:

(signed)
ISIDRO E. CACHO, JR.
Independent Electricity Market Operator of the Philippines
(IEMOP)

System Operator Member:

(signed)
DARRYL A. ORTIZ
National Grid Corporation of the Philippines
(NGCP)

RCC Internal Rules			
Section and Title	Original Provision	Amendments	Rationale
II. Responsibilities	The Committee shall assist the Philippine Electricity Market Corporation (PEMC) Board and the Department of Energy (DOE) in refining or enhancing the market design through revision and amendment of the WESM Rules, and the formulation and amendment of market manuals, procedures, and guidelines.	The Committee shall assist the Philippine Electricity Market Corporation (PEMC) Board and the Department of Energy (DOE) <u>or the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC)</u> in refining or enhancing the market design through revision and amendment of the WESM Rules, and the formulation and amendment of market manuals, procedures, and guidelines.	To include the ERC among the government bodies assisted by the RCC, specifically for proposals affecting market prices and settlement.
V. Meetings (g) Highlights of Meetings	Highlights of the Meeting. Initially, draft highlights of the previous regular and caucus meeting shall be sent by the Secretariat to the Committee members present no later than twenty-four (24) hours after the said meeting, for comments and approval.	Highlights of the Meeting. Initially, draft highlights of the previous regular and caucus meeting shall be sent by the Secretariat to the Committee members present no later than twenty-four (24) hours <u>one (1) working day</u> after the said meeting, for comments and approval.	To be consistent with the Secretariat’s internal business procedures and current practice.
VI. Conduct of Meetings (m) Invitation to Third Parties	Invitation to Third Parties. Representatives from other government agencies and private sector, including the proponents of certain rules change proposals, may be invited by the Chairperson to attend meetings of the Committee to provide expert advice, but with no voting rights.	Invitation to Third Parties. Representatives from other government agencies and private sector, including the proponents, <u>commenters and resource persons</u> of certain rules change proposals <u>and other matters in the RCC agenda</u> may be invited by the Chairperson to attend meetings of the Committee to provide <u>information</u> , expert advice <u>and/or</u>	To limit third party attendees in the RCC meetings to only those with specific participation in the meeting: proponent, commenters and resource persons of proposals and other matters in the RCC agenda.

RCC Internal Rules			
Section and Title	Original Provision	Amendments	Rationale
		clarifications on their position , but with they shall have no voting rights.	
VIII. Rules Change Process a. Submission of Proposal, number 2	Only those proposals which are submitted using the standard prescribed form shall be considered and accepted by the Committee. Otherwise, the Committee Secretariat shall remand the proposal back to the proponent, for compliance.	Only those proposals which are submitted through the PEMC website submissions facility and using the standard prescribed form shall be considered and accepted by the Committee. Otherwise, the Committee Secretariat shall remand the proposal back to the proponent, for compliance.	To reflect that submissions of new proposals and comments thereto are now done via an online facility in the PEMC website.
VIII. Rules Change Process b. Consideration of Comments and Proponent's Response, number 1	In the evaluation of proposed rules amendments that were published for comments, the Committee shall consider comments submitted by interested parties to the Committee through the Committee Secretariat using the standard prescribed form posted for in electronic format by e-mail. The Committee Secretariat shall acknowledge receipt of comments.	In the evaluation of proposed rules amendments that were published for comments, the Committee shall consider comments submitted by interested parties to the Committee through the Committee Secretariat using the PEMC website submissions facility and standard prescribed form posted for in electronic format by e-mail . The Committee Secretariat shall acknowledge receipt of comments.	To reflect that submissions of new proposals and comments thereto are now done via an online facility in the PEMC website.
IX. Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct Item (b)	xxx b. The Committee members shall observe generally accepted principles of ethics and professional conduct in all its dealings.	xxx b. The Committee members shall observe the WESM Industry Code of Ethics and generally accepted principles of ethics and professional conduct in all its dealings.	To provide that the WICOE also applies to all WESM Governance Committee members.