### NOTICE Republic Act (R.A.) No. 11552

"An Act Extending and Enhancing the Implementation of the Lifeline Rate, Amending for the Purpose, Section 73 of Republic Act No. 9136, Otherwise known as the 'Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001' as Amended by Republic Act No. 10150"

In view of the promulgation of R.A. 11552, a Joint Resolution No. 01, Series of 2022, was issued by the Department of Energy (DOE), Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) and the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) on October 28, 2022.

### Joint Resolution No. 01, Series of 2022

A Joint Resolution for Implementing Republic Act No. 11552 Entitled "An Act Extending and Enhancing the Implementation of the Lifeline Rate, Amending for the Purpose, Section 73 of Republic Act No. 9136, Otherwise known as the Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001' as Amended by Republic Act No. 10150"

This Notice intends to inform all consumers of PELCO II about R.A. 11552 and the benefits of lifeline rate discounts to qualified consumers.

Please find the salient points and highlights of R.A. 11552.

- 1. What is the Lifeline Rate and its benefits to qualified marginalized end-users?
  - 2. Who can avail of the Lifeline Rate under Republic Act No. 11552?
  - 3. What are the documentary requirements for applying with PELCO II?
- 4. When is the validity period of the lifeline coverage to be issued by the Dus?

### 1. What is the Lifeline Rate and its benefits to qualified marginalized end-users?

Lifeline Rate is a discount rate that is given to qualified marginalized end-users who belong to marginalized sector of society who cannot afford to pay their electricity bills at full cost. These end-users are lifeline consumers of PELCO II who are entitled and qualified to receive lifeline discounts.

### 2. Who can avail of the Lifeline Rate under Republic Act No. 11552?

- A. 4PS Beneficiaries under the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) subject to certain conditions of EPIRA law;
- **B.** Marginalized end users living below the poverty threshold established by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA).

#### 2.A Who are disqualified to avail of the Lifeline Rate?

- A. Marginalized end users living in condominiums or subdivisions projects except those condominiums or projects under the government auspices;
  - **B.** Consumers under the Net Metering services;
  - C. Consumers who do not qualify under (A) and (B) requirements;
  - D. Consumers found to be in violation of R.A. 7832, entitled "Anti-Pilferage of Electricity and Theft of Electric Transmission Lines / Materials Act of 1994".

3. What are the documentary requirements for applying with PELCO II?

### A. 4Ps Beneficiaries

- A. Duly accomplished Application form
- **B**. Most recent PELCO II electricity billing statement
- C. Any valid government-issued ID, containing the applicant's address and signature

3. What are the documentary requirements for applying the Lifeline Rate Discount with PELCO II?

### B. Other Qualified Applicants Not 4Ps Beneficiaries

- A. Duly accomplished Application form;
- **B**. Most recent PELCO II electricity billing statement;
- C. Any valid government-issued ID, containing the applicant's address and signature;
- **D.** A Certification from the local Social Welfare and Development Office (SWDO) issued within the last six (6) months, prior to the filing of application, showing that his or her family income is below the poverty threshold set by the PSA and applicable at the time of his or her application.

4. When is the validity period of the lifeline coverage to be issued by the DUs?

### A. 4Ps Beneficiaries

A. In accordance with the period indicated in the Certified List issued by the DWSD unless delisted earlier than the original period.

### B. Other Qualified Applicants Not 4Ps Beneficiaries

**B**. Period of three (3) years from the Issuance of the Certification by the Local SWDO.

PELCO II shall issue another "Notice" for further information.

Thank You.