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HON. CARLOS JERICHO L. PETILLA Secretary Department of Energy (DOE) Energy Center, Rizal Drive, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City

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SUBJECT: Request for Deferment: Central Scheduling and Dispatch of Energy and Contracted Reserves

## **Dear Secretary Petilla:**

We support DOE's initiative in the issuance of DOE Circular No. 2014-12-0022, otherwise known as the Central Scheduling and Dispatch of Energy and Contracted Reserves (the "Circular"). The Circular aims to prepare the market participants in the integration of ancillary reserves into the WESM with target operationalization on **26 January 2015** or the February billing period as per the WESM timetable.

In this regard, we would like to express our concern on the impact of the new dispatch protocol for regulating reserves, particularly on hydro power plants.

For instance, in the Circular, the protocol for regulating reserves as per the will include an energy dispatch of the plant equal to one half of the capacity contracted as regulating reserve. In this scenario, the hydro plants may consume more water than what normally is needed in the current ancillary protocol with NGCP. As such, if the hydro plants will increase water consumption in February billing period, these hydro power plants may not have enough water for summer.

Our proposal, for your kind consideration, is to defer the Central Scheduling and Dispatch of Energy and Contracted Reserves as per DOE Circular No. 2014-12-0022. We believe that this will greatly help in improving the power supply situation in the summer of 2015.

We hope for your kind consideration on this matter.

Very truly yours,

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