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MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. : 14-07-2020

TO : NTC CENTRAL OFFICE AND REGIONAL OFFICES
ALL CONCERNED

SUBJECT : INTERIM GUIDELINES IN THE RENEWAL OF
CERTIFICATES, PERMITS OR LICENSES DURING THE
STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

DATE : 29 JULY 2020

In the interest of public service and pursuant to subsisting laws, executive issuances and rules and regulations¹, enjoining all government agencies to render full assistance and cooperation and mobilizing the necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent, and appropriate responses and measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate the COVID-19, the National Telecommunications Commission, by virtue of its authority vested under existing laws, hereby promulgates/issues the following interim guidelines in the renewal of certificates, permits or licenses during the period of state of public health emergency due to COVID-19 pandemic:

1. All existing certificates, permits and licenses², to operate radio communications equipment, networks and facilities, public (telecom), broadcast, government or private, in various radio services³, expiring in the current year **shall remain valid and may be renewed on or before the last working day of December 2020 without penalties or surcharges**. Thereafter, appropriate penalties or surcharges shall be imposed.
2. Due to expediency reasons and as there are still mobility limitation issues in many regions around the country, Public

¹ Presidential Proclamation Order No. 922, s. 2020, *Declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)*, Civil Service Commission No. 10, s. 2020, *Revised Interim Guidelines for Alternative Work Arrangements and Support Mechanisms for Workers in the Government During the Period of State of National Emergency due to COVID-19 Pandemic*, ARTA Advisory No. 01, s. 2020, *Advisory for the Adoption of Fast-Track Measures During the Covid-19 State of Calamity*, among others.

² Ship Station Licenses/ Ship Earth Station Licenses for Ships Engaged in International and/or Domestic Trade, Private Coastal Radio Station Licenses, Aircraft Station License, Satellite Station Licenses, Amateur Radio Station Licenses, Accreditation of Dealer/Manufacturer/ Service Center of Radio Communication Equipment including Supplier of Customer Premises Equipment and Dealer/ Retailer/ Reseller/ Service Center of Mobile Phones, Radio Station Licenses for public (telecom), broadcast, private and government networks, etc.

³ such as but not limited to broadcast, fixed and land mobile, amateur, aeronautical, maritime, satellite, special services

Telecommunications Entities may file/submit applications for renewal of permits and/or licenses at the NTC Central Office.

3. Submission and approval of applications for renewal are subject to the guidelines provided under **Memorandum Order No. 13-07-2020** dated 22 July 2020.

These guidelines shall be in effect in areas under enhanced or general community quarantine and amends Memorandum Order No. 12-07-2020 dated 22 July 2020.

For strict compliance.



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