

# Republic of the Philippines Province of Sorsogon

### **CITY OF SORSOGON**



## Office of the Sangguniang Zanlungsod

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCING OF THE SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD ON JULY 6, 2021.

PRESENT:

MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA
City Vice Mayor Presiding Officer

#### **BACON DISTRICT**

Hon. Jo Abegail C. Dioneda Hon. Melchor P. Atutubo Hon. Hilario D. Dioneda Hon. Danilo A. Deladia

#### **WEST DISTRICT**

Hon. Nestor J. Baldon Hon. Fernando David H. Duran, III Hon. Rebecca D. Aquino

#### ABSENT:

Hon. Erwin J. Duana

#### **EAST DISTRICT**

Hon. Ralph Walter R. Lubiano Hon. Mary Ellen D. Jamisola Hon. Franco Eric O. Ravanilla Hon. Joven Francis J. Laura

#### **EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

Hon. Ma. Teresa D. Perdigon Hon. Lorenz S. Abenion

Resolution No. 193, Series of 2021

(Hon. Mark Eric C. Dioneda)

RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE MANAGEMENT OF SORECO II TO ACCEPT COMPLAINTS ON 50% OR MORE INCREASE IN JULY 2021 BILLING STATEMENTS FOR REASSEESSMENT, RECOMPUTATION AND THE CORRESPONDING ADJUSTMENT THEREOF

**WHEREAS**, tight power supply conditions in the Luzon grid pushed up SORECO II rates in June billing statements;

**WHEREAS**, with the increase in temperature and economic activity, demand in the grid increased and the Luzon grid was placed on yellow alert on May 5, due to insufficient operating reserves as average capacity on outage remained at the low level;

WHEREAS, increase in Power Rates for June 2021 is due to the increase in WESM prices from PHP 4.0520/kWh in MAY 2021 to PHP 9.5637/kWh in JUNE 2021;

WHEREAS, The power rate increase in the electricity spot market was the effect of the low power reserve in the Luzon Grid in the recent past weeks brought about by unforced outages of some major coal-fired power plants which coincided with the scheduled maintenance shutdown of 1 major hydroelectric power plant;

**WHEREAS**, earlier forecasts have signified that tight supply conditions, primarily in the biggest power grid of Luzon, may persist until August this year;

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlungsod was in receipt of complaints and reports of sudden increase in SORECO II billing statements of the member consumers and the same issue had been posted and discussed elsewhere in social media;

**WHEREAS**, it is noteworthy to underscore that some of billing statements reflect 50% or more increase compared to their previous months billing statement;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of **Hon. Jo Abegail C. Dioneda**, duly seconded by the body, resolved as it is hereby resolve to respectfully request the management of SORECO II to accept complaints on 50% or more increase in July 2021 Billing Statements for reassessment, recomputation and the corresponding adjustment thereof.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this resolution be furnished to all concerned for their information.

DATE APPROVED:

July 6, 2021

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

ROVAN E. DOMASIAN
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

Attested:

MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA

City Vice Mayor/ Presiding Officer