

Republic of the Philippines
ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
Pasig City

**IN THE MATTER OF THE
APPLICATION FOR
APPROVAL OF THE
EMERGENCY CAPITAL
EXPENDITURE PROJECT
RE: PROCUREMENT,
INSTALLATION, TESTING,
COMMISSIONING, AND
ENERGIZATION OF BRAND
NEW 10/12.5 MVA POWER
SUBSTATION BY
REPLACING THE DAMAGED
5MVA POWER
TRANSFORMER AT
PARANAS SUBSTATION**

ERC CASE NO. 2025-179 RC

**SAMAR II ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC.
(SAMELCO II),**
Applicant.

Promulgated:
December 01, 2025

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NOTICE OF VIRTUAL HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that on 30 September 2025, Samar II Electric Cooperative, Inc. (SAMELCO II) filed, through the Energy Virtual One-Stop Shop (EVOSS) portal, an *Application* dated 29 August 2025, seeking the Commission's approval of its Emergency Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) Project, relative to the procurement, installation, testing, commissioning, and energization of brand new 10/12.5 MVA power substation by replacing the damaged 5 MVA power transformer at Paranas Substation.

The docketed copy of the *Application*, excluding its annexes, is attached as Annex "A" hereof.

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The Commission has set the *Application* for hearing for the determination of compliance with the jurisdictional requirements, expository presentation, Pre-Trial Conference and presentation of evidence on **09 January 2026 (Friday), at nine o'clock in the morning (9:00 A.M.)**, through **MS Teams Application** as the online platform for the conduct thereof, pursuant to the pertinent rules of the Commission.

Accordingly, SAMELCO II is hereby directed to mirror the virtual hearings, to be hosted by the Commission, at **SAMELCO II's Principal Office at Barangay 6 Poblacion, Paranas, Samar** as the designated venue for the conduct thereof and ensure that the same is open to the public. Moreover, SAMELCO II shall guarantee that, during the conduct of the expository presentation, the participation of the public shall not be impaired.

Any interested stakeholder may submit its comments and/or clarifications at least **one (1) calendar day** prior to the scheduled initial virtual hearing, via e-mail at docket@erc.ph, copy furnish the Legal Service through legal@erc.ph. The Commission shall give priority to the stakeholders who have duly submitted their respective comments and/or clarifications, to discuss the same and propound questions during the course of the expository presentation.

Moreover, any person who has an interest in the subject matter of the instant case may become a party by filing with the Commission via e-mail at docket@erc.ph, a verified Petition to Intervene at least **five (5) calendar days** prior to the date of the initial virtual hearing. The verified Petition to Intervene must follow the requirements under Rule 9 of the ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure, indicating therein the docket number and title of the case, and state the following:

- 1) The petitioner's name, mailing address, and e-mail address;
- 2) The nature of petitioner's interest in the subject matter of the proceeding and the way and manner in which such interest is affected by the issues involved in the proceeding; and
- 3) A statement of the relief desired.

Likewise, all other persons who may want their views known to the Commission with respect to the subject matter of the case may file through e-mail at docket@erc.ph, copy furnish the Legal Service

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through legal@erc.ph, their Opposition or Comment thereon at least five (5) calendar days prior to the initial virtual hearing and subject to the requirements under Rule 9 of the ERC Revised Rules of Practice and Procedure. No particular form of Opposition or Comment is required, but the document, letter, or writing should contain the following:

- 1) The name, mailing address, and e-mail address of the person;
- 2) A concise statement of the Opposition or Comment; and
- 3) The grounds relied upon.

All interested parties filing their Petition to Intervene, Opposition or Comment are required to submit the hard copies thereof through personal service, registered mail or ordinary mail/private courier, **within five (5) working days** from the date that the same were electronically submitted, as reflected in the acknowledgement receipt e-mail sent by the Commission.

Finally, all interested persons may be allowed to join the scheduled virtual hearings by providing the Commission, through legal.virtualhearings@erc.ph, their respective e-mail addresses, indicating therein the case number of the instant *Application*. The Commission will send the access link/s to the aforementioned hearing platform within five (5) working days prior to the scheduled hearings.

WITNESS, the Honorable Chairperson and CEO **FRANCIS SATURNINO C. JUAN** and the Honorable Commissioners **FLORESINDA G. BALDO-DIGAL**, **MARKO ROMEO L. FUENTES**, **AMANTE A. LIBERATO** and **PARIS G. REAL**, Energy Regulatory Commission, in Pasig City.

FOR AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE
COMMISSION:

Maria Corazon C. Gines

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Director III, Legal Service


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* Authority granted during Commission Meeting on 20 August 2025.