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AMENDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 278 SERIES OF 2010 PROVIDING MEASURES FOR THE OPTIMUM UTILIZATION OF WATER RESOURCES IN METRO MANILA

OP ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 278-A, April 06, 2010

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WHEREAS, on February 8, 2010, Administrative Order No. 278 was issued to institute appropriate measures to ensure optimum utilization of water resources for Metro Manila in view of the alarming level of which the Angat Dam has fallen due to El Nino conditions in the first quarter of 2010;

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend said Order in connection with the use of Angat Hydro-Electric Plant for ancillary service since said plant is one of the few generating facility connected to the Luzon Grid that can provide Ancillary Service essential to ensure quality, reliability, adequacy, security, stability and integrity to the Luzon Grid mandated by the Philippine Grid Code;

WHEREAS, the exemption of the Angat Hydro-Electric Plant from use for Ancillary Services is intended only for the duration of the El Nino condition and While National Power Corporation continues to operate the Angat Hydro-Electric Plant;

NOW, THEREFORE, I GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 3 Administrative Order No. 278 is hereby amended as follows:

> "Sec. 3, the Angat Hydro-Electric Plant shall be exempted from use for Ancillary Service for the duration of the El Nino condition in 2010 and while the National Power Corporation continues to operate the same."

SECTION 2. All other provisions of Administrative Order No. 278, series of 2010 shall remain unchanged, valid and existing.

SECTION 3. This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

(SGD.) GLORIA M. ARROYO

By Authority of the President:

(SGD.) LEANDRO R. MENDOZA
Executive Secretary

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