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This Department

For information and guidance, attached is a copy of **Memorandum Circular No. 48** dated May 13, 2024 signed by Executive Secretary Lucas P. Bersamin, with the subject: **"DIRECTING ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES, AND ENCOURAGING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO ADOPT AND IMMEDIATELY IMPLEMENT LOW-COST ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION MEASURES"**.

A copy of the said Memorandum Circular may also be downloaded from the DPWH website: <http://dpwhweb>. If an office cannot access the DPWH website, a hard copy may be obtained from the Records Management Division, HRAS, upon request.

For dissemination to all concerned.

**Atty. MICHAEL S. VILLAFRANCA, CESO III**  
Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Support Services

Encl: As stated

cc: Office of the Secretary

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Manila, May 14, 2024

**SECRETARY MANUEL M. BONOAN**  
Department of Public Works and Highways  
Manila



**Sir:**

I have the honor to transmit for your information and guidance, a certified copy of Memorandum Circular No. 48 dated May 13, 2024 entitled **"DIRECTING ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES AND ENCOURAGING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO ADOPT AND IMMEDIATELY IMPLEMENT LOW-COST ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION MEASURES"**.

For this purpose, all concerned departments shall undertake measures to disseminate said Memorandum Circular to your component units/bureaus including agencies attached to or under your administrative supervision.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

  
**ATTY. KAMILLE N. ESPINO**  
Acting Director IV

**Office of the President  
of the Philippines  
Malacañang**

**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 48**

**DIRECTING ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND  
INSTRUMENTALITIES AND ENCOURAGING LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
UNITS TO ADOPT AND IMMEDIATELY IMPLEMENT LOW-COST  
ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION MEASURES**

**WHEREAS**, Section 2 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7638 or the "Department of Energy (DOE) Act of 1992" declares it a policy of the State to ensure continuous, adequate and economic supply of energy through judicious conservation and efficient utilization of energy in accordance with the country's growth and economic development;

**WHEREAS**, Section 2 of RA No. 11285 or the "Energy Efficiency and Conservation (EEC) Act" declares it a policy of the State to: (i) institutionalize EEC as a national way of life; (ii) secure sufficiency and stability of energy supply in the country to cushion the impact of high prices of imported fuels to local markets; and (iii) protect the environment in support of the economic and social development goals of the country;

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order No. 15 (s. 2024) mandates the accelerated implementation of the Government Energy Management Program (GEMP), a government-wide program aimed to reduce the government's monthly consumption of electricity and petroleum products through efficient use and conservation of energy and fuel, among others;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to further intensify efficient utilization and conservation efforts of electricity and fuel to avoid possible power interruptions amidst the ongoing *El Niño* phenomenon, taking into consideration its impact in the operations of power plants in the country;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the following are hereby ordered:

All departments, agencies, bureaus, and offices of the National Government are hereby directed, and all local government units (LGUs) are hereby encouraged, to, among others:

1. Intensify efforts to ensure efficient and judicious utilization of energy, consistent with the GEMP;

2. Adopt and immediately implement low-cost EEC measures, such as but not limited to: (a) rationalizing the use of power during peak demand hours; (b) maintaining ambient temperature of 24°C in airconditioned spaces; (c) turning off unused lights and air-conditioning units; and (d) activating sleep settings on all office equipment; and
3. Prepare necessary measures in case of power interruptions, with the end in view of ensuring the continuous and effective delivery of government services to the public.

The DOE, in coordination with the Presidential Communications Office, is hereby directed to develop effective ways of communicating EEC measures to all government agencies, as well as the public.

This Circular shall take effect immediately.

**DONE**, in the City of Manila, this 13th day of May, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

By authority of the President:

  
**LUCAS P. BERSAMIN**  
Executive Secretary

