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## BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 260**

ADJUSTING THE DIVIDEND RATES OF SELECTED GOVERNMENT OWNED AND/OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS ON THEIR 1994 EARNINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7656

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Republic Act No. 7656 provides that;

"Section 1. Declaration of Policy. It is hereby declared the policy of the State that in order for the National Government (NG) to realize additional revenues, government owned and/or controlled corporations, without impairing their viability and the purposes for which they have been established, shall share a substantial amount of their net earnings to the National Government (NG)."

**WHEREAS**, to support the viability and mandate of the government owned and/or controlled corporations (GOCCs), the liquidity, retained earnings position and medium-term plan and programs of these GOCCs were considered in the determination of the reasonable dividend rates of such corporations on their 1994 net earnings;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 5 of RA 7656, the Secretary of Finance recommended the adjustment on the percentage of annual net earnings that shall be declared by various government owned and/or controlled corporations in the interest of national economy and general welfare.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order.

**SECTION 1**. The percentage of net earnings to be declared and remitted by the following government owned and/or controlled corporations as dividends to the National Government (NG) as provided for under Section 3 of Republic Act No. 7656 is adjusted from at least fifty percent (50%) to the rates specified therein:

1.	Land Bank of the Philippines	30% (cash)
2.	Manila International Airport Authority	20% (cash)
3.	Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System	30% (cash)
	National Electrification Administration	15% (cash)
5.	Philippine Center for Economic Development	25% (cash)
6.	Public Estates Authority	20% (cash)

In the case of Philippine National Oil Company (PNOC), a 50% dividend rate should be applied on its net earnings after deducting the remittance made to NG from the PETRON privatization proceeds equivalent to 50% thereof under Executive Order No. 37; provided further that said dividend should be paid in cash.

**SEC. 2**. The adjusted dividend rates provided for under Section 1 are only applicable on 1994 net earnings of the concerned government owned and/or controlled corporations.

SEC. 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

**DONE** in the City of Manila, this  $14\underline{th}$  day of July , in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Five.

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By the President:

RUBEN D. TORRES Executive Secretary