

[**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 227, April 03, 2000**]

ADJUSTING THE DIVIDEND RATES OF SELECTED GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND/OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS ON THEIR 1996 NET 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 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."

WHEREAS, to support the viability and mandate of government-owned and/or controlled corporations (GOCCs), the liquidity, retained earnings position and medium-term plans and programs of these GOCCs were considered in the determination of the reasonable dividend rates of such corporations on their 1996 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 GOCCs in the interest of national economy and general welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH E. ESTRADA, 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 GOCCs as dividends to the National Government as provided for under Section 3 of Republic Act No. 7656 is adjusted from at least fifty percent (50%) to the rates specified hereunder:

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| 1. Cebu Port Authority | 15% (cash) |
| 2. Land Bank of the Philippines | 30% (cash) |
| 3. Mactan Cebu International Airport Authority | 10% (cash) |
| 4. Manila International Airport Authority | 25% (cash) |
| 5. Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System | 30% (cash) |
| 6. National Electrification Administration | 15% (cash) |