[MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2018-012, June 07, 2018]

GUIDELINES FOR DROPPING AND SUBSTITUTION OF PUJ UNITS UNDER THE PUVMP

Adopted: 06 June 2018 Date Filed: 07 June 2018

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation (DOTr) issued Department Order No. 011, Series of 2017, otherwise known as the Omnibus Guidelines on the Planning and Identification of Public Road Transportation Services and Franchise Issuance or the Omnibus Franchising Guidelines (OFG), which aims to provide a reliable, safe, adequate, accessible, environment-friendly, dependable, efficient, and comfortable public road transportation throughout the country;

WHEREAS, the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB), a sectoral agency of the DOTr, is tasked to implement the OFG;

WHEREAS, on 03 October 2017, the Board issued Memorandum Circular No. 2017-021 regarding the dropping and substitution of units, which requires that only OFG-compliant units shall be accepted as substitute by January 2018;

WHEREAS, after a thorough review, consultation, and consideration, the Board finds that quite a number of operators could not as yet comply with the requirements for vehicles specifications embodied in the OFG which then necessitates extending the period for compliance;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing, the Board hereby issues these Guidelines for the Dropping and Substitution of Units under the PUVMP as follows:

1. COVERAGE:

These Guidelines for Dropping and Substitution of Units shall cover the PUJ units.

All Petitions for Dropping and Substitution of PUJ Units filed starting January 1, 2018 under the above denominations which remains unacted upon shall also be covered by this Circular.

2. VEHICLE SPECIFICATIONS:

a) Applications for Dropping and Substitution of PUJ Units must comply with the requirements of the OFG.