

Republic of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission Manila



RESOLUTION NO. 1521

Series of 2022

CANCELLING THE LAST DAY OF JULY 2022 ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNERS LICENSURE EXAMINATION IN THE CITIES OF PARAÑAQUE AND BAGUIO DUE TO EARTHQUAKE AND RESCHEDULING THE SAME ON AUGUST 5, 2022

WHEREAS, Section 7 (d) of Republic Act No. 8981 or the "PRC Modernization Act of 2000" empowers the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) to administer and conduct the licensure examinations of the various regulatory boards in accordance with the rules and regulations it may promulgate and to determine and fix the places and dates of examinations;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 1439 (s. 2021), the scheduled Environmental Planners Licensure Examination (EPLE) is on July 26 and 27, 2022;

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2022, the last day of the EPLE, a strong earthquake occurred affecting the places of examination in the cities of Parañaque and Baguio;

WHEREAS, the affected venues used required the examinees to go out of the premises for safety purposes and to allow the building management to inspect the structure and its premises as to the extent of the impact of the earthquake, if any;

WHEREAS, upon assessment of the situation, the local government unit of Baguio eventually announced the suspension of work while the licensure examination in Parañaque was suspended due to time constraint, volatility of the situation, mental readiness of the examinees to continue the examination, and issues on the integrity of the licensure examination as it already started long before the occurrence of the earthquake;

WHEREAS, Commission Resolution No. 1178 (s. 2019) prescribed the guidelines on the suspension or cancellation of licensure examination during inclement weather and other unexpected disasters such as earthquakes;

WHEREAS, the primordial consideration of the Commission is the safety of the examinees, examination personnel, and volunteer proctors;

WHEREAS, considering the above reasons, the Professional Regulatory Board of Environmental Planning and the Licensure Office recommend to the Commission the cancellation of the conduct of the last day of the EPLE in the cities of Parañaque and Baguio;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Commission RESOLVES, as it is hereby RESOLVED, to CANCEL the conduct of the JULY 27, 2022 EPLE in the cities of PARAÑAQUE and BAGUIO;

RESOLVED FURTHER, to **RESCHEDULE** the last day of the EPLE from July 27, 2022 to **AUGUST 5, 2022.**

Let a copy of this Resolution be posted at the PRC Official website for information.

Done in the City of Manila this 27th day of July, 2022.

TEOFILO S. PILANDO, JR.

Chairman

JOSE Y. CUETO, JR.

ERWIN M. ENAD Commissioner