

Republic of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission



Manila

RESOLUTION NO. 1333 Series of 2021

## POSTPONING THE MAY 2021 CIVIL ENGINEERS LICENSURE EXAMINATION AND RESCHEDULING THEREOF TO NOVEMBER 14 & 15, 2021

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; to determine and fix the places and dates of examinations;

WHEREAS, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1283 (s. 2020) scheduling the licensure examinations for calendar year 2021 wherein the Civil Engineers Licensure Examinations (CELE) were scheduled on May 2 & 3, 2021 and November 13 & 14, 2021;

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulatory Board of Civil Engineers (Board) gathered comments, recommendations and propositions from various stakeholders which included the Philippine Association of Engineering Schools, the Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges, the Philippine Institute of Civil Engineers (Accredited Professional Organization);

WHEREAS, despite the varying views, the majority deem it necessary to postpone the May 2021 examination in consideration of the following:

- a. the safety of the examinees and the examination personnel, particularly in regions where the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases are increasing daily, such as in Cebu, Davao, Cagayan de Oro and in some NCR areas;
- **b.** the extension of the state of calamity of the entire country until September 12, 2021 through Proclamation No. 1021(s.2020) issued by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte citing that the number of COVID-19 positive cases and deaths continue to rise despite efforts and interventions to contain the same; and
- c. the vaccines may be readily available to the general public in a few months before November 2021; thus, eliminating the need for the very stringent measures prescribed by the Inter Agency Task Force by November 2021 CELE.

WHEREAS, this unprecedented situation leading to fear for one's health and safety including the anticipated complexities in the operational and logistics aspects of the examination continue to pose challenges in the preparation and conduct of the scheduled May 2021 CELE;

WHEREAS, in view of the considerations, the Board recommends the postponement of the May 2 & 3, 2021 CELE and rescheduling thereof to November 14 & 15, 2021;

WHEREAS, the Board and Licensure Office recommend to the Commission the postponement and rescheduling of the conduct of May 2021 CELE;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the Commission RESOLVES, as it hereby RESOLVED to POSTPONE the conduct of the May 2021 Civil Engineers Licensure Examination and to RESCHEDULE the same to November 14 & 15, 2021.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the previously scheduled November 13 & 14, 2021 CELE under Resolution No. 1283 (s. 2020) will be moved to November 14 & 15, 2021.

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Chairman

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

Done in the City of Manila this **17<sup>th</sup>** day of March 2021.

TEOFILO S. PILANDO, JR. ANDA D. REYES Commissioner

CUETO, JR. Commissioner