

02 July 2020

PPA MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

TO : ALL PORT MANAGERS

TERMINAL OPERATORS

CARGO HANDLING OPERATORS

SHIPPING COMPANIES OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT: WAIVER/REDUCTION OF PORT FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE

GRAND SEND-OFF OF THE HATID TULONG PROGRAM

(FORMERLY HATID PROBINSYA PROGRAM)

1. LEGAL BASES

- 1.1 Republic Act No. 11469 (An Act Declaring the Existence of a National Emergency Arising from the Coronavirus Disease 2019 [COVID-19] Situation and a National Policy in Connection Therewith, and Authorizing the President of the Republic of the Philippines for a Limited Period and Subject to Restrictions, to Exercise Powers Necessary and Proper to Carry Out the Declared National Policy and for Other Purposes)
- 1.2 Executive Order No. 114 (Institutionalizing the Balik Probinsya, Bagong Pag-asa Program as a Pillar of Balanced Regional Development, Creating a Council Therefor, and for Other Purposes)
- 1.3 Letter from the Deputy Executive Secretary dated 01 July 2020 to the DOTr Secretary (Approval to the Proposed Waiver of Fees on Expressways, Ports and Roll-on Roll-off Services Relative to the Grand Send-off of the Hatid Tulong Program [formerly Hatid Probinsya Program])

2. PURPOSE

To reduce the financial cost of ferrying Locally Stranded Individuals to their home provinces under the Hatid Tulong Program through the reduction of applicable port fees and charges imposed on vehicles, Roll-on, Roll-off (RO-RO) vessels and all other sea-going vessels for the use of PPA port facilities.

3. COVERAGE

These guidelines shall apply to:

- 3.1 Locally Stranded Individuals part of the Hatid Tulong Program during the period 04 July to 05 July 2020 insofar as passenger terminal fees are concerned.
- Vehicles, RO-RO vessels, and other sea-going vessels part of the Hatid Tulong Program during the period 04 July to 05 July 2020 insofar as all applicable port fees and charges imposed by the PPA is concerned.
- 4. TERMINAL/PORT FEES TO BE WAIVED/REDUCED UNDER THE HATID-TULONG PROGRAM ON 04 JULY TO 05 JULY 2020
 - 4.1 Passenger Terminal Fee WAIVED
 - 4.2 RO-RO Terminal Fee for buses and other vehicles WAIVED
 - 4.3 Port Fees and charges for RO-RO vessels and other sea-going vessels REDUCED TO PhP1.00.

5. GUIDELINES

All Port Management Offices shall keep a record of all fees and charges waived/reduced under the Hatid-Tulong Program for submission to the Office of the AGM for Operations, Attn.: CSD, not later than 10 July 2020.

6. EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall take effect immediately, subject to confirmation and approval of the Board.

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