

Philippines

1. Legal framework for improvement of energy efficiency and conservation

(1) Law

B. Electric Power Industry Reform Act, Republic Act No.9136:EPIRA (Proclamation in June 2001)

1. Name of measure

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2. Purpose of measure

- a) Restructuring that will entail changing the power industry's structure
- b) Transmission and distribution will continue to be monopolies but generation and sale of power will become open and competitive.
- c) While transmission and distribution wheeling charges will be set by the new Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC), generation and retail prices will no longer be regulated.
- d) The ERC will, however, continue to monitor participants for market abuse and anti-competitive behavior.

3. Target sector (transport, building, manufacturing, etc.)

Electric Power industries

4. Funds and budget for the measure

5. Method for measuring the effect of the measure (energy consumption reduction, energy cost reduction, etc.)

Forecast versus actual electricity generation
Power generation dispatch with due priority on least cost through the wholesale electricity spot market (WESM) scheme

6. Results of measures

Actual electricity generation slightly lower than forecast. However, electricity sales grew by 1.1%

Effective settlement prices in WESM were relatively high due to thin supply margin brought by less availability of coal-fired and hydro power plants. (sourced from PEP 2007 update)

7. Future tasks

Facilitate institutional arrangement among the energy sector agencies to address the multi-challenges facing the implementation of the Electric Power Industry Reform Act (EPIRA)

8. Others

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