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Dear Mr. Francisco,

Greetings!

Thank you so much for your letter/reply dated 15 April 2008 and for your invitation for a meeting to discuss our request which was denied through a letter from Mr. Monico Jacob, Head of MERALCO's Regulatory Management, in his letter dated 28 March 2008 explaining that the data we are requesting are commercially sensitive information.

In response, we wrote you a letter dated 10 April 2008 expressing our position that the data we are requesting can not be considered as commercially sensitive information since the cost of all the power capacities contracted by MERALCO with its independent power producers are passed on, whether delivered or not, to the customers. Further, it should be stressed that even if retail competition is implemented, MERALCO as a distribution utility will remain a monopoly and its customers will, likewise, remain captive. As a distribution utility, therefore, which will remain a monopoly, there is no MERALCO information that can be considered commercially sensitive information.

At the Senate hearing last Monday, May 12, 2008, Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago, JCPC Co-Chairperson, requested for so many documents which already included the data we are requesting and yet we did not hear MERALCO explain that it can not grant these documents because these are commercially sensitive information. MERALCO's acquiescence to this JCPC directive

manifest, sadly, its strong consumer discrimination which alienate MERALCO all the more from its captive customers.

In this regard, please allow us to reiterate our request for the following:

1. MERALCO'S actual total demand load (energy requirement) on an hourly basis per month for the period covering May 2005 to June 2006.
2. MERALCO's monthly Time of Use (TOU) purchase from the National Power Corporation (NPC) for the same period as mentioned above
3. Percentage of monthly power supply from MERALCO's three (3) IPPs and NPC for the same period as mentioned above.

We have already given our reason for this request and we hope that, in the prompt manner that MERALCO accedes to the directive of the JCPC to submit certain documents, consumers will also be accorded the same treatment especially so that they are the ones shouldering all the administrative and operational expenses, including system loss, of MERALCO which are in billion of pesos, so to say. We sincerely believe the grant of this request will help effectively reduce the growing perception of MERALCO's consumer discrimination.

Thank you so much and I pray that you may find strength in the Lord our God as you stand in the frontline clarifying all the issues ventilated against MERALCO.

Very truly yours,

PETE L. ILAGAN
President