ANNEX A: ANNUAL REGULATORY PLAN

PHILIPPINE COMPETITION COMMISSION

2025 ANNUAL REGULATORY PLAN

ANNUAL REGULATORY PLAN SUMMARY

AGENCY NAME: PHILIPPINE COMPETITION COMMISSION

SECTORS REGULATED:

SECTOR	LEGAL BASIS	ROLE/RESPONSIBILITY OF THE REGULATING AGENCY TO THE REGULATED SECTOR
• Any person or entity engaged in any trade, industry and commerce in the Philippines • Includes international trade having direct effect, substantial, and reasonably foreseeable effects in trade, industry, or commerce in the Philippines	Philippine Competition Law (R.A. 10667)	1. Investigate, prosecute, and adjudicate violations of Sections 14, 15 and 20 of the PCA and other competition laws; 2. Investigate, prosecute, and adjudicate other violations of the Philippine Competition Act (PCA) (Section 29); 3. Hear applications for interim measures; 4. Review written proposals arising from non-adversarial remedies (Section 37); and 5. Review proposed mergers and acquisitions.
• Any person or entity engaged in any trade, industry and commerce in the Philippines • Includes international trade having direct effect, substantial, and reasonably foreseeable effects in trade, industry, or commerce in the Philippines	Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the Philippine Competition Act	1. Investigate, prosecute, and adjudicate violations of Sections 14, 15 and 20 of the PCA and other competition laws; 2. Investigate, prosecute, and adjudicate other violations of the Philippine Competition Act (PCA) (Section 29); 3. Hear applications for interim measures; 4. Review written proposals arising from non-adversarial remedies (Section 37); and 5. Review proposed mergers and acquisitions.
All Sectors	2017 Rules on Merger Procedure	Procedure to be observed for the orderly review of Transactions that are subject to compulsory notification, voluntary notification, and those under motu proprio review

SECTOR	LEGAL BASIS	ROLE/RESPONSIBILITY OF THE REGULATING AGENCY TO THE REGULATED SECTOR
All Sectors	Expedited Merger Review Rules	Procedure to be observed to ensure the orderly review of mergers and acquisitions that are qualified for expedited review
All Sectors	Merger Review Guidelines	Ensure all parties and stakeholders are properly informed of the way mergers and acquisitions are to be reviewed and accessed
All Sectors	Guide to Computing Merger Notification Thresholds	Ensure that all parties are given ample guide in properly determining the thresholds for compulsory notification
All Sectors	Guidelines on Letters of Non-Coverage from Compulsory Notification	Ensure the orderly evaluation of Transactions that are claimed to be not subject to compulsory notification
All Sectors	Guidelines on Notification of Joint Ventures	Ensure that all parties are properly guided in notifications involving joint ventures
All Sectors	PCC Guidelines on Merger Remedies	Ensure that all parties are properly guided in the development of proposals for remedies involving merger, acquisitions, and joint ventures flagged with competition issues
All Sectors	PCC Guidelines on Hiring 3rd Party Monitors[1]	Provide ample instructions to all parties regarding the hiring of 3rd Party Monitors for the Monitoring of Transactions with Undertakings to the PCC
All Sectors	Revised Rules on Expedited Merger Review[2]	Procedure to be observed to ensure the orderly review of mergers and acquisitions that are qualified for expedited review
All Sectors	Omnibus Rules on the Payment of Fees for Services Rendered by the PCC Mergers and Acquisitions Office[3]	Provide sufficient instructions to all parties regarding the payment of fees for MAO services

[1] Still in the process of being drafted
[2] Still in the process of being drafted
[3] Still in the process of being drafted

SECTOR	LEGAL BASIS	ROLE/RESPONSIBILITY OF THE REGULATING AGENCY TO THE REGULATED SECTOR
• Any person or entity engaged in any trade, industry and commerce in the Philippines • Include international trade having direct effect substantial, and reasonably foreseeable effects in trade, industry, or commerce in the Philippines	Codification Project	1. Investigate, prosecute, and adjudicate violations of Sections 14, 15 and 20 of the PCA and other competition laws; 2. Investigate, prosecute, and adjudicate other violations of the PCA (section 29); 3. Hear applications for interim measures; and 4. Review proposed mergers and acquisitions.
All Sectors	Memorandum Circular on the Amendment of Fees for Binding Ruling Requests Under Section 3.4 Of The 2017 Rules of Procedure of the Philippine Competition Commission	Provide sufficient instructions to all parties regarding the suspension of the rates for the fees for Binding Ruling Requests.

SUMMARY OF REGULATORY ACTIONS PLANNED FOR 2025:

1. Regulation # PCC-2025-001-1: PCC Guidelines on the Hiring of Third-Party Monitors
2. Regulation # PCC-2025-002-1: Revised Rules on Expedited Merger Review
3. Regulation # PCC-2025-003-1: Omnibus Rules in the Payment of Fees for Services Rendered by the PCC Mergers and Acquisitions Office ("Omnibus Rules in the Payment of Fees")
4. Regulation # PCC-2025-004-1: Republic Act No. 10667 or the Philippine Competition Act
5. Regulation # PCC-2025-005-1: PCC Codified Rules of Procedure Project
6. Regulation # PCC-2025-006-1: Amendment of Fees for Binding Ruling Requests Under Section 3.4 Of The 2017 Rules of Procedure of the Philippine Competition Commission

Notes:

1. **Amendment of Republic Act (RA) No. 10667 or the Philippine Competition Act**
   The Congress is currently in the process of reviewing RA No. 10667, to strengthen the powers and jurisdiction of the PCC.

2. **PCC's Codified Rules of Procedure Project**
   In 2022, the PCC updated and streamlined the set of rules, issuances, and guidelines, collectively termed as PCC's Codified Rules of Procedure ("PCRP"), which includes the 2017 PCC Rules of Procedure, Merger Rules of Procedure and other relevant issuances or policies of the PCC.
   For 2025, the PCC intends to continue the PCRP Project. Apart from the comprehensive review of the existing guidelines and procedures, the PCC plans to enhance the PCRP with the following additional rules: (a) Rules on Evidence; (b) Rules on Contempt; (c) Rules on Motions; and (d) Rules on Forbearance. The PCC likewise intends to provide inputs to the Supreme Court's Technical Working Groups on Pleadings, Practice and Procedure.

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MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS OFFICE

Regulation # PCC-2025-001-1

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	3b. Designation	Attorney III
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4. Date	February 21, 2025	
B. REGULATION DETAILS		
1. Full Title	Guidelines in Hiring Third-Party Monitors	
2. Short Title	Guidelines in Hiring Third-Party Monitors	
3. Regulatory Life Cycle Stage	☒ Development of Regulation ☐ Implementation ☐ Monitoring, Evaluation, & Ex-Post Review	
4. Regulatory Instrument	☐ Memorandum Circular ☐ Joint Memorandum Circular ☐ Department Order ☒ Specify: Commission Resolution	
5. Classification of Action	☒ New Regulation ☐ Amendment ☐Repeal ☐ Ex-Post RIS/PIR/SCR ☐ Completed	
6. Regulation Amended/ Repealed *(if applicable)*	*1N/A* *2.* *3.*	

C. STAKEHOLDERS AND/OR SECTORS AFFECTED				
1. Classification	☒Business-Related		☐Non-Business	
1.1. For Business-Related Regulations			***1.2. For Non-Business Regulations***	
a. Sector[1]	All Sectors		**a. Stage of Life**	
b. Stage of Business	☐ Opening/Renewing a Business ☒ Operating a Business ☐ Closing a Business		**b. Life Event**	
c. Case Use			**c. Case Use**	
2. Jurisdiction	☒National	☐Regional	☐City/Municipality-wide	

D. CONSULTATIONS CONDUCTED
1. HAS THIS BEEN SUBJECTED TO STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION AND/OR COMMENTS? ☐YES ☒NO ☐ONGOING
E. SUMMARY OF REGULATION
1. PROBLEM ADDRESSED BY REGULATION / SUMMARY OF CHANGES
As undertakings usually contain complex remedies, the Guidelines aim to address problems encountered in monitoring the highly technical, post-order cooperation and commitment from the merged entity.
2. OBJECTIVE OF REGULATORY ACTION

[1] Philippine Standard Industrial Classification

The Guidelines aim to provide greater transparency on the PCC's selection and appointment process of a Monitor, thereby guiding the parties, monitor-applicants, and other stakeholders.			
F. TIMELINE OF ACTIVITIES (ACCOMPLISHED OR TARGET)			
1. Conduct of PIA	31 December 2025	**4. Conduct of RIA**	31 December 2025
2. Consultation of PIS	31 December 2025	**5. Consultation of RIS**	31 December 2025
3. Submission of PIS	31 December 2025	**6. Submission of RIS**	31 December 2025
G. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS *(applicable only if regulation is for repeal/amendment)*			
1. Date Filed (ONAR)	31 December 2025	**3. Date Issued**	31 December 2025
2. Date Published **☐ Official Gazette AND/OR** **☐ Newspaper of General Circulation**	31 December 2025	**4. Date Effective**	31 December 2025
H. CLASSIFICATION OF REGULATION			
1. Proposed Classification	☐ Major ☐ Exempted ☒ Minor	**2. ARTA Classification** *(if available)*	☐ Major ☐ Exempted ☐ Minor
3. Justification for Exempted Regulations	*Cite and explain the legal basis for exemption and other supporting information on how the regulation satisfies any of the criteria listed in Annex A.* *Justification questions on why the regulation is considered exempt from Section 9 of ARTA MC 2022-06:* • *Is the regulation among the exempted regulations per the list provided under Annex A of ARTA MC 2022-06 (i.e., laws passed by Congress, PAPs of the government, taxation or revenue-raising measures, budget-related issuances, and exceptional circumstances such as a national/local emergency and matters that deal with national security)?* • *Based on the screening tool provided under Annex B of ARTA MC 2022-06, should the regulation not undergo RIA?* *If you answer 'yes' in any of the three questions, kindly provide justification and/or data to support your request for exemption.*		

MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS OFFICE

Regulation # PCC-2025-002-1

A. PROPONENT AGENCY DETAILS		
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4. Date	February 21, 2025	
B. REGULATION DETAILS		
1. Full Title	Revised Rules on Expedited Merger Review	
2. Short Title	Rules on Expedited Merger Review	
3. Regulatory Life Cycle Stage	☒ Development of Regulation ☐ Implementation ☐ Monitoring, Evaluation, & Ex-Post Review	
4. Regulatory Instrument	☒ Memorandum Circular ☐ Joint Memorandum Circular ☐ Department Order ☐ Specify: _____	
5. Classification of Action	☐ New Regulation ☒ Amendment ☐Repeal ☐ Ex-Post RIS/PIR/SCR ☐ Completed	
6. Regulation Amended/ Repealed *(if applicable)*	*1. Rules on Expedited Merger Review* *2.* *3.*	

C. STAKEHOLDERS AND/OR SECTORS AFFECTED			
1. Classification	☒Business-Related	☐Non-Business	
1.1. For Business-Related Regulations		***1.2. For Non-Business Regulations***	
a. Sector[1]	All Sectors	**a. Stage of Life**	
b. Stage of Business	☒ Opening/Renewing a Business ☒ Operating a Business ☐ Closing a Business	**b. Life Event**	
c. Case Use		**c. Case Use**	
2. Jurisdiction	☒National ☐Regional ☐City/Municipality-wide		

D. CONSULTATIONS CONDUCTED
1. HAS THIS BEEN SUBJECTED TO STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION AND/OR COMMENTS? ☒YES ☐NO ☐ONGOING
E. SUMMARY OF REGULATION
1. PROBLEM ADDRESSED BY REGULATION / SUMMARY OF CHANGES
Help expedite the review of certain qualified transactions.
2. OBJECTIVE OF REGULATORY ACTION
Fast-track the review of qualified transactions

[1] Philippine Standard Industrial Classification

F. TIMELINE OF ACTIVITIES (ACCOMPLISHED OR TARGET)			
1. Conduct of PIA	31 December 2025	**4. Conduct of RIA**	31 December 2025
2. Consultation of PIS	31 December 2025 Click or tap to enter a date.	**5. Consultation of RIS**	31 December 2025 Click or tap to enter a date.
3. Submission of PIS	31 December 2025	**6. Submission of RIS**	31 December 2025
G. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS *(applicable only if regulation is for repeal/amendment)*			
1. Date Filed (ONAR)	31 December 2025	**3. Date Issued**	31 December 2025
2. Date Published **☐ Official Gazette AND/OR** **☐ Newspaper of General Circulation**	31 December 2025	**4. Date Effective**	31 December 2025
H. CLASSIFICATION OF REGULATION			
1. Proposed Classification	☒ Major ☐ Exempted ☐ Minor	**2. ARTA Classification** *(if available)*	☐ Major ☐ Exempted ☐ Minor
3. Justification for Exempted Regulations	*Cite and explain the legal basis for exemption and other supporting information on how the regulation satisfies any of the criteria listed in Annex A.* *Justification questions on why the regulation is considered exempt from Section 9 of ARTA MC 2022-06:* • *Is the regulation among the exempted regulations per the list provided under Annex A of ARTA MC 2022-06 (i.e., laws passed by Congress, PAPs of the government, taxation or revenue-raising measures, budget-related issuances, and exceptional circumstances such as a national/local emergency and matters that deal with national security)?* • *Based on the screening tool provided under Annex B of ARTA MC 2022-06, should the regulation not undergo RIA?* *If you answer 'yes' in any of the three questions, kindly provide justification and/or data to support your request for exemption.*		

MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS OFFICE

Regulation # PCC-2025-003-1

A. PROPONENT AGENCY DETAILS		
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4. Date	February 21, 2025	
B. REGULATION DETAILS		
1. Full Title	Omnibus Rules on the Payment of Fees for Services Rendered by the Mergers and Acquisitions Office	
2. Short Title	Rules on MAO Fees	
3. Regulatory Life Cycle Stage	☒ Development of Regulation ☐ Implementation ☐ Monitoring, Evaluation, & Ex-Post Review	
4. Regulatory Instrument	☒ Memorandum Circular ☐ Joint Memorandum Circular ☐ Department Order ☐ Specify:	
5. Classification of Action	☐ New Regulation ☒ Amendment ☐Repeal ☐ Ex-Post RIS/PIR/SCR ☐ Completed	
6. Regulation Amended/ Repealed *(if applicable)*	*1. PCC Memorandum Circular No. 17-002* *2.* *3.*	
C. STAKEHOLDERS AND/OR SECTORS AFFECTED		
1. Classification	☒Business-Related ☐Non-Business	
1.1. For Business-Related Regulations		***1.2. For Non-Business Regulations***
a. Sector[1]	All Sectors	**a. Stage of Life**
b. Stage of Business	☒ Opening/Renewing a Business ☒ Operating a Business ☐ Closing a Business	**b. Life Event**
c. Case Use		**c. Case Use**
2. Jurisdiction	☒National ☐Regional ☐City/Municipality-wide	
D. CONSULTATIONS CONDUCTED		
1. HAS THIS BEEN SUBJECTED TO STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION AND/OR COMMENTS? ☐YES ☒NO ☐ONGOING		
E. SUMMARY OF REGULATION		
1. PROBLEM ADDRESSED BY REGULATION / SUMMARY OF CHANGES		
The Mergers and Acquisitions Office (MAO) reviews mergers and acquisitions, performs other services for stakeholders which necessitate the conduct of activities such as field missions, market studies, surveys, and focus group discussions that require immense resources.		
2. OBJECTIVE OF REGULATORY ACTION		

[1] Philippine Standard Industrial Classification

Increase the current fees as well as charge for other services provided by the MAO.			
F. TIMELINE OF ACTIVITIES (ACCOMPLISHED OR TARGET)			
1. Conduct of PIA	31 December 2025	**4. Conduct of RIA**	31 December 2025
2. Consultation of PIS	31 December 2025	**5. Consultation of RIS**	31 December 2025
3. Submission of PIS	31 December 2025	**6. Submission of RIS**	31 December 2025
G. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS *(applicable only if regulation is for repeal/amendment)*			
1. Date Filed (ONAR)	31 December 2025	**3. Date Issued**	31 December 2025
2. Date Published **☐ Official Gazette AND/OR** **☐ Newspaper of General Circulation**	31 December 2025	**4. Date Effective**	31 December 2025
H. CLASSIFICATION OF REGULATION			
1. Proposed Classification	☐ Major ☒ Exempted ☐ Minor	**2. ARTA Classification** *(if available)*	☐ Major ☐ Exempted ☐ Minor
3. Justification for Exempted Regulations	*The Rules on MAO Fees is exempt from Section 9 of ARTA MC 2022-06. Specifically, the fee schedule under the MAO Fees can be classified under the revenue-raising measures category exempted from review.*		

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL – LEGAL SERVICES DIVISION

Regulation # PCC-2025-004-1

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4. Date	February 03, 2025		
B. REGULATION DETAILS			
1. Full Title	REPUBLIC ACT (RA) NO. 10667 OR THE PHILIPPINE COMPETITION ACT		
2. Short Title	PHILIPPINE COMPETITION ACT		
3. Regulatory Life Cycle Stage	☐ Development of Regulation ☐ Implementation ☒ Monitoring, Evaluation, & Ex-Post Review		
4. Regulatory Instrument	☐ Memorandum Circular ☐ Joint Memorandum Circular ☐ Department Order ☒ Specify: Law		
5. Classification of Action	☐ New Regulation ☒ Amendment ☐Repeal ☐ Ex-Post RIS/PIR/SCR ☐ Completed		
6. Regulation Amended/ Repealed *(if applicable)*	*1. RA No. 10667* *2. N/A* *3. N/A*		
C. STAKEHOLDERS AND/OR SECTORS AFFECTED			
1. Classification	☒Business-Related ☐Non-Business		
1.1. For Business-Related Regulations		***1.2. For Non-Business Regulations***	
a. Sector[1]	Choose an item.	**a. Stage of Life**	
b. Stage of Business	☐ Opening/Renewing a Business ☒ Operating a Business ☐ Closing a Business	**b. Life Event**	
c. Case Use	N/A	**c. Case Use**	
2. Jurisdiction	☒National ☐Regional ☐City/Municipality-wide		
D. CONSULTATIONS CONDUCTED			
1. HAS THIS BEEN SUBJECTED TO STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION AND/OR COMMENTS? ☐YES ☒NO ☐ONGOING			
E. SUMMARY OF REGULATION			
1. PROBLEM ADDRESSED BY REGULATION / SUMMARY OF CHANGES			

[1] Philippine Standard Industrial Classification

There is an ongoing proposal to amend and to review RA No. 10667 or the Philippine Competition Act.			
2. OBJECTIVE OF REGULATORY ACTION			
Strengthen the power of the PCC through its mandate in the PCA.			
F. TIMELINE OF ACTIVITIES (ACCOMPLISHED OR TARGET)			
1. Conduct of PIA	31 December 2025	**4. Conduct of RIA**	31 December 2025
2. Consultation of PIS	Click or tap to enter a date. 31 December 2025	**5. Consultation of RIS**	Click or tap to enter a date. December 2025 Click or tap to enter a date.
3. Submission of PIS	31 December 2025	**6. Submission of RIS**	31 December 2025
G. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS *(applicable only if regulation is for repeal/amendment)*			
1. Date Filed (ONAR)	31 December 2025	**3. Date Issued**	31 December 2025
2. Date Published ☐ **Official Gazette AND/OR** ☐ **Newspaper of General Circulation**	31 December 2025	**4. Date Effective**	31 December 2025
H. CLASSIFICATION OF REGULATION			
1. Proposed Classification	☐ Major ☒ Exempted ☐ Minor	**2. ARTA Classification** *(if available)*	☐ Major ☐ Exempted ☐ Minor
3. Justification for Exempted Regulations	*Since the law is still undergoing review and amendment before the Congress, the PCC is yet to determine whether it should undergo RIA.*		

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL – LEGAL SERVICES DIVISION

Regulation # PCC-2025-005-1

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4. Date	February 03, 2025	
B. REGULATION DETAILS		
1. Full Title	PCC CODIFIED RULES OF PROCEDURE	
2. Short Title	PCC RULES OF PROCEDURE	
3. Regulatory Life Cycle Stage	☒ Development of Regulation ☐ Implementation ☐ Monitoring, Evaluation, & Ex-Post Review	
4. Regulatory Instrument	☐ Memorandum Circular ☐ Joint Memorandum Circular ☐ Department Order ☒ Specify: Rules of Procedure	
5. Classification of Action	☒ New Regulation ☐ Amendment ☐Repeal ☐ Ex-Post RIS/PIR/SCR ☐ Completed	
6. Regulation Amended/ Repealed *(if applicable)*	*1. 2017 PCC Rules of Procedures* *2. 2017 Rules of Merger Procedure* *3. N/A*	

C. STAKEHOLDERS AND/OR SECTORS AFFECTED			
1. Classification	☒Business-Related ☐Non-Business		
1.1. For Business-Related Regulations		***1.2. For Non-Business Regulations***	
a. Sector[1]	Choose an item.	**a. Stage of Life**	
b. Stage of Business	☐ Opening/Renewing a Business ☒ Operating a Business ☐ Closing a Business	**b. Life Event**	
c. Case Use	N/A	**c. Case Use**	
2. Jurisdiction	☒National ☐Regional ☐City/Municipality-wide		
D. CONSULTATIONS CONDUCTED			
1. HAS THIS BEEN SUBJECTED TO STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION AND/OR COMMENTS? ☒YES ☐NO ☐ONGOING			
E. SUMMARY OF REGULATION			

[1] Philippine Standard Industrial Classification

1. PROBLEM ADDRESSED BY REGULATION / SUMMARY OF CHANGES			
During the implementation of the PCA, it was assessed that there is a need to revisit the PCC's Rules of Procedure and other issuances of the PCC. Moreover, this is intended to address the gaps identified and to ensure that there is due process in the conduct of competition-related investigations and review.			
2. OBJECTIVE OF REGULATORY ACTION			
The PCC Codified Rules of Procedure aims to guide the Commission and the stakeholders in the processes of the PCC. This will also ensure that due process is followed in the conduct of competition-related investigations and review.			
F. TIMELINE OF ACTIVITIES (ACCOMPLISHED OR TARGET)			
1. Conduct of PIA	July 2025	**4. Conduct of RIA**	July 2025
2. Consultation of PIS	July 2025	**5. Consultation of RIS**	July 2025
3. Submission of PIS	July 2025	**6. Submission of RIS**	July 2025
G. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS *(applicable only if regulation is for repeal/amendment)*			
1. Date Filed (ONAR)	July 2025	**3. Date Issued**	July 2025
2. Date Published ☐ **Official Gazette AND/OR** ☐ **Newspaper of General Circulation**	July 2025	**4. Date Effective**	July 2025
H. CLASSIFICATION OF REGULATION			
1. Proposed Classification	☒ Major ☐ Exempted ☐ Minor	**2. ARTA Classification** *(if available)*	☐ Major ☐ Exempted ☐ Minor
3. Justification for Exempted Regulations	*Since the regulation is still undergoing review and drafting, the PCC is yet to determine whether it should undergo RIA.*		

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL – LEGAL SERVICES DIVISION

Regulation # PCC-2025-006-1

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4. Date	February 03, 2025	
B. REGULATION DETAILS		
1. Full Title	Memorandum Circular on the Amendment of Fees for Binding Ruling Requests Under Section 3.4 Of The 2017 Rules of Procedure of the Philippine Competition Commission	
2. Short Title	MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR ON THE AMENDMENT OF FEES FOR BINDING RULING REQUESTS	
3. Regulatory Life Cycle Stage	☒ Development of Regulation ☐ Implementation ☐ Monitoring, Evaluation, & Ex-Post Review	
4. Regulatory Instrument	☒ Memorandum Circular ☐ Joint Memorandum Circular ☐ Department Order ☐ Specify:	
5. Classification of Action	☒ New Regulation ☐ Amendment ☐Repeal ☐ Ex-Post RIS/PIR/SCR ☐ Completed	
6. Regulation Amended/ Repealed *(if applicable)*	*1. SECTION 3.4 OF THE 2017 RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE PHILIPPINE COMPETITION COMMISSION* *2. N/A* *3. N/A*	

C. STAKEHOLDERS AND/OR SECTORS AFFECTED			
1. Classification	☒Business-Related	☐Non-Business	
1.1. For Business-Related Regulations		***1.2. For Non-Business Regulations***	
a. Sector[1]	Choose an item.	**a. Stage of Life**	
b. Stage of Business	☐ Opening/Renewing a Business ☒ Operating a Business ☐ Closing a Business	**b. Life Event**	
c. Case Use	N/A	**c. Case Use**	
2. Jurisdiction	☒National ☐Regional	☐City/Municipality-wide	
D. CONSULTATIONS CONDUCTED			

[1] Philippine Standard Industrial Classification

1. HAS THIS BEEN SUBJECTED TO STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION AND/OR COMMENTS? ☐YES ☒NO ☐ONGOING

E. SUMMARY OF REGULATION

1. PROBLEM ADDRESSED BY REGULATION / SUMMARY OF CHANGES

At present, the 2017 Rules of Procedure of the Philippine Competition Commission (PCC Rules of Procedure) states that, should a request for a Binding Ruling be given due course, the entity shall pay a filing fee equivalent to one to three percent (1%-3%) of the value of the requesting entity's assets or annual revenues, whichever is higher.

Given the substantial filing fees, covered entities may be discouraged from availing of the Binding Ruling mechanism, potentially limiting their ability to seek regulatory as to whether a contemplated act, course of conduct, agreement, or decision, is in compliance with, is exempt from, or is in violation of any of the provisions of the PCA, its implementing rules and regulations, or other competition laws.

2. OBJECTIVE OF REGULATORY ACTION

The Philippine Competition Commission recognizes the need to revise the prescribed rates for filing fees to ensure fairness, affordability, and alignment with prevailing economic conditions and administrative realities, thus encouraging the use of non-adversarial administrative remedies.

F. TIMELINE OF ACTIVITIES (ACCOMPLISHED OR TARGET)

1. Conduct of PIA	June 2025	**4. Conduct of RIA**	June 2025
2. Consultation of PIS	June 2025	**5. Consultation of RIS**	June 2025
3. Submission of PIS	June 2025	**6. Submission of RIS**	June 2025

G. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS *(applicable only if regulation is for repeal/amendment)*

1. Date Filed (ONAR)	June 2025	**3. Date Issued**	June 2025
2. Date Published **☐ Official Gazette AND/OR** **☐ Newspaper of General Circulation**	June 2025	**4. Date Effective**	June 2025

H. CLASSIFICATION OF REGULATION

1. Proposed Classification	☒ Major ☐ Exempted ☐ Minor	**2. ARTA Classification** *(if available)*	☐ Major ☐ Exempted ☐ Minor
3. Justification for Exempted Regulations	*Since the regulation is still at the drafting stage, the PCC is yet to determine whether it should undergo RIA.*		