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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT IN PART OF THE SUBSCRIPTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES TO THE CAPITAL

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STOCK OF THE NATIONAL POWER CORPORATION OUT OF THE OIL PRICE STABILIZATION FUND, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NUMBERED NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX, AS AMENDED

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the *Philippines in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. The subscription of the Government of the 1 Republic of the Philippines to the capital stock of the National 2 Power Corporation, as provided for in Republic Act No. 6395, 3 otherwise known as the Revised Charter of the National Power 4 5 Corporation, as amended by Presidential Decree Nos. 758, 1360 and 1443, shall be paid in part out of the Oil Price Stabilization Fund in 6 the amount of Two billion pesos (P 2,000,000,000) in accordance 7 8 with Section 2 of this Act.

9 SEC. 2. Section 8 of Presidential Decree No. 1956, as amended
10 by Executive Order No. 137, is hereby further amended to read as
11 follows:

SEC. 8. There is hereby created a Trust Account in the books
of accounts of the [Ministry of Energy] OFFICE OF ENERGY
AFFAIRS to be designated as the Oil Price Stabilization Fund
(OPSF) for the purpose of minimizing frequent price changes
brought about by exchange rate adjustments and/or changes in
[W]world market prices of crude oil and imported petroleum

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products. The Oil Price Stabilization Fund (OPSF) may be sourced
 from any of the following:

3 "[(a) Any increase in the tax collection from *ad valorem* tax or 4 customs duty imposed on petroleum products subject to tax under 5 this Decree arising from exchange rate adjustment, as may be 6 determined by the Minister of Finance in consultation with the 7 Board of Energy;]

8 "[(b)](A) Any increase in the tax collection as a result of the 9 lifting of tax exemptions of government corporations, as may be 10 determined by the [Minister] DEPARTMENT of Finance in consulta-11 tion with the [Board of Energy] ENERGY REGULATORY BOARD;

12 "[(c)](B) Any additional amount to be imposed on petroleum 13 products to augment the resources of the Fund through an appro-14 priate [O]order that may be issued by the [Board of Energy] 15 ENERGY REGULATORY BOARD requiring payment of persons or 16 companies engaged in the business of importing, manufacturing 17 and/or marketing petroleum products;

18 "[(d)](C) Any resulting peso cost[s] differentials in case the 19 actual peso costs paid by oil companies in the importation of crude 20 oil and petroleum products is less than the peso costs computed 21 using the reference foreign exchange rate as fixed by the [Board of 22 Energy] ENERGY REGULATORY BOARD.

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1	"The Fund herein created shall be used for the following:
2	"(1) To reimburse the oil companies for cost increases in
3	crude oil and imported petroleum products resulting from exchange
4	rate adjustment and/or FROM THE increase in world market prices
5	of crude oil;
6	"(2) To reimburse the oil companies for possible cost under-
7	recovery incurred as a result of the reduction of domestic prices of
8	petroleum products. The magnitude of the underrecovery, if any,
9	shall be determined by the [Ministry] DEPARTMENT of Finance.
10	Cost underrecovery shall include the following:
11	"(i) Reduction in oil company take as directed by the [Board
12	of Energy] ENERGY REGULATORY BOARD without the correspond-
13	ing reduction in the landed cost of oil inventories in the possession
14	of the oil companies at the time of the price change;
15	"(ii) Reduction in internal [ad valorem] SPECIFIC taxes as a
16	result of the foregoing government-mandated price reductions;
17	"(iii) Other factors as may be determined by the [Ministry]
18	DEPARTMENT of Finance to result in cost underrecovery[.]; AND
19	"(3) TO COVER THE PAYMENT IN PART OF THE SUBSCRIPTION
20	OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES TO
21	THE CAPITAL STOCK OF THE NATIONAL POWER CORPORATION IN
22	THE AMOUNT OF TWO BILLION PESOS (P 2,000,000,000). SAID

AMOUNT SHALL BE RELEASED TO THE NATIONAL POWER 1 CORPORATION IN TWO (2) EQUAL TRANCHES OF ONE BILLION 2 PESOS (F 1,000,000,000) EACH, THE FIRST, UPON THE EFFECTIVITY 3 OF THIS ACT; WHILE THE SECOND, ONE (1) YEAR THEREAFTER: 4 PROVIDED, THAT THE SECOND TRANCHE SHALL BE RELEASED ONLY 5 IF, ON THE SAID DATE, THE OPSF TERMINAL BALANCE SHALL NOT 6 BE LESS THAN THREE BILLION PESOS (₱3,000,000), AS CERTI-7 FIED BY THE OFFICE OF ENERGY AFFAIRS, AND THE AVERAGE 8 MONTHLY DEPLETION ON ACCRUAL BASIS OF THE OPSF BALANCE 9 DURING THE INTERVENING ONE (1) YEAR SHALL NOT BE MORE 10 THAN THREE HUNDRED MILLION PESOS (P 300,000,000): PROVIDED, 11 FURTHER, THAT THE NATIONAL POWER CORPORATION SHALL 12 13 UTILIZE THE SAID PAYMENTS ON ITS CAPITAL STOCK TO FINANCE ITS CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR ENERGY PROJECTS ONLY. 14

15 "The Oil Price Stabilization Fund (OPSF) shall be administered
16 by the [Ministry of Energy] OFFICE OF ENERGY AFFAIRS."

SEC. 3. All laws inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealedor modified accordingly.

19 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its publication in two20 (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,

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