

Republic of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission Manila

RESOLUTION NO. 1618 Series of 2023

INCLUSION OF THE APRIL 2023 PROFESSIONAL MECHANICAL ENGINEERS ORAL EXAMINATION/TECHNICAL EVALUATION IN THE 2023 SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS

WHEREAS, Section 7 (d) of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 8981, also known as the "PRC Modernization Act of 2000", empowers the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) to administer and conduct the licensure examinations of the various Professional Regulatory Boards in accordance with the rules and regulations it may promulgate, to determine and fix the places and dates of examinations, and to adopt measures to preserve the integrity and inviolability of the licensure examinations;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 835 dated October 6, 2009 was issued directing the Commission and other government agencies, through the Department of Labor and Employment, to conduct yearly Special Professional Board Licensure Examinations (herein referred to as Special Professional Licensure Examinations (SPLE)), when so warranted, in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA), Qatar, the United Arab Emirates (UEA) and other Middle East countries;

WHEREAS, under Section 9 (a) of R.A. No. 8981, the Professional Regulatory Boards are vested with the power to regulate the practice of the professions in accordance with the provisions of their respective professional regulatory laws;

WHEREAS, R.A. No. 8495 or the "Philippine Mechanical Engineering Act of 1998" confers to the Professional Regulatory Board of Mechanical Engineering (Board) the power to administer the Licensure Examinations for Mechanical Engineers, including the Oral Examination/Technical Evaluation for Professional Mechanical Engineers (PMEs);

WHEREAS, there are requests for the Board to hold the PME Oral Examination/Technical Evaluation in the Middle East;

WHEREAS, the Board has no objection to the inclusion of the PME Oral Examination in the April 2023 SPLE;

WHEREAS, the Commission issued Resolution No. <u>1617</u>, entitled "Authorizing the Professional Regulatory Board of Mechanical Engineering to Conduct the Professional Mechanical Engineers Oral Examination/Technical Evaluation Overseas and Prescribing the Guidelines on the Conduct Thereof";

WHEREFORE, the Commission RESOLVES, as it is hereby RESOLVED, to include in the 2023 Special Professional Licensure Examinations the PROFESSIONAL MECHANICAL ENGINEERS ORAL EXAMINATION/TECHNICAL EVALUATION to be held on APRIL 18 TO 23, 2023 in DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.

Let a copy of this Resolution be posted at the PRC Official website for information.

Done in the City of Manila this 7th day of March 2023.

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