



## PUBLIC ADVISORY

In observance of the community quarantine throughout the National Capital Region (NCR) to manage the COVID-19 situation, the **Philippine Competition Commission (PCC)** has adopted an alternative work arrangement from **16 March to 14 April 2020**, or until such time the quarantine has been lifted.

The PCC will maintain a **skeletal workforce** for the delivery of its basic services following the Memorandum from the Executive Secretary dated 13 March 2020 and the Civil Service Commission Announcement No. 12 dated 16 March 2020.

In a Commission Resolution issued today, the PCC shall suspend acceptance of *new* merger notification forms and letters of non-coverage, and the evaluation of sufficiency of notification forms and letters of non-coverage *already submitted* to the PCC.

The running of the 30-day notification period under Section 3.1 of the Rules on Merger Procedure shall also be suspended. In this regard, notifying parties shall retain the balance of the 30-day notification period to submit their notification forms to the PCC. Notification forms submitted during the remaining period shall be considered to have been timely filed.

Pre-notification consultations and other inquiries shall be attended through e-mail and teleconference calls.

Regular operations of the PCC will resume as soon as the NCR-wide quarantine has been lifted. For urgent concerns, please e-mail [queries@phcc.gov.ph](mailto:queries@phcc.gov.ph) or call **(02) 8-7719-PCC (722)**.

