

Office of the President of the Philippines MOVIE AND TELEVISION REVIEW AND CLASSIFICATION BOARD

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 05-2017

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ALL TELEVISION NETWORKS AND

DTT CONTENT PROVIDERS

FROM

MTRCB CHAIRPERSON

SUBJECT

MORATORIUM ON THE IMPLEMENTATION

OF RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF MEMORANDUM

CIRCULAR NO. 02-2016, AS AMENDED

DATE

25 OCTOBER 2017

WHEREAS, Memorandum Circular No. 02-2016 was promulgated by the Board on 27 July 2016 to regulate public exhibition of program contents through the medium of digital terrestrial television (DTT);

WHEREAS, upon the supplication of relevant stakeholders, the Board issued Memorandum Circular No. 02-2017 on 26 July 2017 amending certain provisions of Memorandum Circular No. 02-2016, especially on the effectivity of registration of DTT operators and the rate of review and monitoring fees;

WHEREAS, upon further representations of the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) and the Kapisanan ng mga Brodkaster ng Pilipinas (KBP), as well as of other DTT operators, the Board held another round of public consultation on 18 October 2017 to listen to the comments and/or suggestions of the stakeholders in regard to the proper implementation of Memorandum Circular No. 02-2016, as amended;

WHEREAS, the Board heeds the entreaties of the stakeholders by revisiting certain provisions of Memorandum Circular No. 02-2016, especially on the issues of registration and review fees, although only a handful of stakeholders bothered to submit their respective position papers on the matter;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the Board's power to inspect all public exhibition of motion pictures and television programs, and in the light of its authority to exercise such powers and functions as may be necessary or incidental to the fulfillment of its mandate under Section 3 of P.D. No. 1986, the Board hereby **SUSPENDS** the effectivity, until further notice, of Sections 2, 8 and 9 of Chapter IV, Memorandum Circular No. 02-2016, as amended by Memorandum Circular No. 02-2017.

Above notwithstanding, all DTT operators are obliged to ensure that all broadcast of DTT program contents must not exceed the parameters of General Audience (G), Parental Guidance (PG), or Strong Parental Guidance (SPG), as prescribed in Memorandum Circular No. 05-2011.

This Circular shall take effect immediately.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD:

MARIA RACHEL J. ARENAS

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