

Proposed Amendment on NWRB Resolution No. 003-0607 (As Amended)

Since the last modification of NWRB Resolution 003-0607 (As Amended) on 22 October 2008 on the policy guidelines on the processing and issuance of Water Permits (WPs) and Conditional Water Permits (CWPs), there is a need to further amend the same to ensure that the holders of CWP for municipal use shall secure Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) and maintain the same in good standing until the WP has been issued, and holders of WP for municipal use shall maintain the legality and good standing of its CPC.

The proposed amendment is shown in the table below:

	CURRENT/ EXISTING	PROPOSED
	Amendment To Policy Guidelines On The Processing And Issuance Of Water Permits And “Conditional Water Permits”	Further Amending The Policy Guidelines On The Processing And Issuance Of Water Permits And Conditional Water Permits
1	Water Permits and Conditional Water Permits shall be processed in accordance with Sections 9 & 10 of the Amended Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the Water Code of the Philippines. For bulk water suppliers, in addition to the documentary requirements prescribed in Section 5 of the IRR of the Water Code, a Memorandum of Agreement/ Joint Venture Agreement between the private water supplier and the buyer with specific purpose on how the water will be used shall also be required prior to the processing of the application.	Water Permits and CWPs shall be processed in accordance with Sections 9 & 10 of the Amended Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the Water Code of the Philippines. For bulk water suppliers, in addition to the documentary requirements prescribed in Section 5 of the IRR of the Water Code, a Memorandum of Agreement/ Joint Venture Agreement (MOA/JVA) between the private water supplier and the buyer with a specific purpose on how the water will be used shall also be required prior to the processing of the application.
2	Upon compliance with Sections 9 & 10 and the review and evaluation of the water permit application, the Board Secretariat shall make a recommendation to grant the Conditional Water Permit for submission to the Board.	Upon compliance, with Sections 9 & 10 and the review and evaluation of the Water Permit application, the Board Secretariat shall make a recommendation to grant the CWP for submission to the Board.
3	The Conditional Water Permit shall be issued for the use/development of a water source and remain valid for a period of one year (1) from the date of approval.	The CWP shall be issued for the use/development of a water source and remain valid for a period of one (1) year from the date of approval.
4	The Water Permit will be issued as soon as the conditions set forth under the Conditional Water Permit are complied with.	The Water Permit will be issued as soon as the conditions set forth under the CWP are complied with.
5	If after the lapse of the one year period applicant fails to show compliance with the conditions, the Water Permit will not be issued to the Applicant and closure of well and other similar diversion structures used for surface water source will follow. The Board may however, grant extension to the one year period for justifiable circumstances.	If after the lapse of the one-year period applicant fails to show compliance with the conditions, the Water Permit will not be issued to the applicant and closure of well and other similar diversion structures for surface water source will follow. The Board may, however, grant extension to the one-year period for justifiable circumstances.
6	All holders of Conditional Permit for municipal use shall be advised to file a CPC application prior to the release of the water permit to ensure a CPC is secured.	All holders of CWP for municipal use shall secure a CPC and maintain the same in good standing until the Water Permit has been issued, otherwise, the CWP will be cancelled or revoked. Hence, all obligations arising from the issuance thereto, including but not limited to the payment

		of Annual Water Charges (AWC), shall be strictly complied with.
7		<p>All holders of a Water Permit for municipal use shall maintain the legality and good standing of a CPC, otherwise the same can be a ground for the cancellation of the Water Permit.</p> <p>In the same manner, water permittees for municipal use not required by law to secure a CPC shall also maintain their Water Permits in good standing, otherwise the same may be cancelled or revoked.</p>

For any comments/suggestions/recommendations, please email at bless.baltazar@nwrp.gov.ph on or before 20 September, 2021.