## ORDINANCE NO. 2010-038

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING CASURECO II AND MNWD AND ALL PUBLIC UTILITY PROVIDERS TO REGISTER THE WATER AND ELECTRIC METERS TO SENIOR CITIZENS WHO ARE ACTUALLY RESIDING IN THE HOUSEHOLD:-

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Article 12, Section of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9994, otherwise known as the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010" grants 5% discount relative to the monthly utilization of water and electricity by households with senior citizens, provided that the individual meters for such household are registered in the name of the Senior Citizens;

It has been observed however, that particularly in the matter of electric meter, the meters are usually and actually registered in the names of the original registered user even if they have long died, transferred residence or have even surrendered the use of their meters, such registration continue to be used, for which reasons even if the meters are actually being used by a senior citizen in the household or are in fact the ones actually paying for the electric or water bill, such is nit reflected in their receipts of payments for the consumptions they had, but still in the name of persons who have long died, transferred residence, etc.

In order to reflect the true facts and in order that the senior citizen maybe able to avail of the 5% discount on the use of the water or electricity consumed monthly, as required the water or electric meters be registered in their named, hence the need to pass this ordinance requiring CASURECO II and the MNWD and other public utility agencies engaged in the distribution of water and electricity to register the water or electric meters in the name of senior citizens who are actually residing in a household and are actually paying the water or electric bills consumptions.

**SECTION 1. Object -** This ordinance is being passed pursuant to Article 12, Section 1 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9994 otherwise known as the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010".

SECTION 2. Registration of water and electric meters - CASURECO II and the MNWD and all other establishments or agencies engaged in public utilities distribution of water and electricity are required to register the electric and

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water meters of households where senior citizens reside, subject to the policies or guidelines.

SECTION 3. Grant of 5% discount - Pursuant to Art. 12, Section 1 CASURECO II and MNWD and all other establishments or agencies engaged in public utilities distribution of water and electricity shall grant 5% discount to household with senior citizens residing therein, provided that the electric or water meters are registered in their names.

SECTION 4. Penalty - Any violation of this ordinance shall carry a penalty as provided under Art. 24 particularly Sec. 5 which provides - if the offender is a corporation, partnership, organization or any similar entity, the officials thereof directly involved such as the president, general manager, managing partner, or such other officer charged with the management of the business affairs shall be liable therefore, of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9994, otherwise known as the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act".

**SECTION 5. Effectivity** - This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

ENACTED: August 3, 2010.

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 $\ensuremath{\mathbf{WE}}$   $\ensuremath{\mathbf{HEREBY}}$   $\ensuremath{\mathbf{CERTIFY}}$  to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

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