



DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR NO. DC 2025-08-0013

PRESCRIBING THE POLICY AND GUIDELINES FOR INTEGRATING THE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO THE DISTRIBUTION DEVELOPMENT PLAN PURSUANT TO THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT ACT AND THE COMPREHENSIVE ROADMAP FOR THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. (RA) 7638 or the "Department of Energy (DOE) Act of 1992" declares as a policy of the State, among others, to ensure a continuous, adequate, and economic supply of energy with the end in view of ultimately achieving self-reliance in the country's energy requirements through the integrated and intensive exploration, production, management, and development of the country's indigenous energy sources;

WHEREAS, Sections 5 (e) and (h) of RA 7638 authorize the DOE to regulate private sector activities, as provided under existing laws, providing therein an environment conducive to free and active private sector participation and investment in all energy activities, as well as to formulate and implement a program for the accelerated development of non-conventional energy systems and the promotion and commercialization on its applications;

WHEREAS, Section 2 (b) of RA 9136 or the "Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001 (EPIRA)," declares the policy of the State to ensure the quality, reliability, security and affordability of the supply of electric power;

WHEREAS, Section 23 of the EPIRA requires Distribution Utilities (DUs) to prepare and submit to the DOE their annual Distribution Development Plan (DDP) and, in the case of Electric Cooperatives (ECs), to submit such plans to the DOE through the National Electrification Administration (NEA);

WHEREAS, RA 11697 or the "Electric Vehicle Industry Development Act (EVIDA)" declares that it is the policy of the Government to provide an enabling environment for the development of electric vehicles (EVs), including options for micromobility as an attractive and feasible mode of transportation to reduce dependence on fossil fuels;

WHEREAS, Section 7 (g) of the EVIDA and Rule V, Section 23 (g) of its Implementing Rules and Regulations (EVIDA-IRR) require DUs to submit their respective charging infrastructure development plans as part of their DDPs not later than the 30th of August of every year;

WHEREAS, Section 23 (a) of the EVIDA and Rule VI, Section 26 (a) of the EVIDA-IRR mandate DUs to provide the necessary power requirement for the establishment and operation of charging stations consistent with their respective DDPs;

WHEREAS, Rule V, Section 23 of the EVIDA-IRR mandates the DOE, in consultation with the EVIDA – Technical Working Group, to issue guidelines for the effective implementation of the abovementioned provisions of the IRR, among others;

WHEREAS, Rule IX, Sections 37 and 38 of the EVIDA-IRR enumerate the prohibited acts and penalties for violations of the EVIDA;

WHEREAS, DOE Department Circular (DC) No. DC2021-03-0003, entitled “Prescribing the Policy and Guidelines for the Formulation of the Distribution Utilities Distribution Development Plan Integrating the Relevant Laws, Policy Issuances, Rules and Regulations,” directs DUs and other mandated entities to submit their DDPs with utmost diligence and accuracy, with the end goal of providing secure, reliable and efficient power service delivery to their customers and end-users at all times;

WHEREAS, DOE DC No. DC2023-05-0011 or the EVCS Providers Accreditation and EVCS Registration Guidelines provides for the accreditation of EV Charging Station (EVCS) Providers and the registration of EVCS to the DOE; and

WHEREAS, the draft DC was presented and comments were solicited from stakeholders on 25 June and 23 July 2025 in the National Capital Region, Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of all the foregoing, the DOE hereby issues, adopts, and promulgates the following:

Section 1. Title. This DC shall be known as the “Charging Infrastructure Development Plan (CIDP) Guidelines.”

Section 2. Scope. This DC shall establish the policy and guidelines for the integration of the CIDP of EVCS in the DDP which shall apply to all DUs and other entities mandated to distribute electric power.

Section 3. Guiding Principles. The following shall be taken into consideration in the formulation of the CIDP in addition to those enumerated in Section 3 of DC No. DC2021-03-0003:

- 3.1. Support the requirements and targets under the Comprehensive Roadmap for the EV Industry (CREVI);
- 3.2. Provide for investments of EVCS Providers in their installation and operation of EVCS, including the utilization of renewable energy (through on-site generation or attribution mechanisms);
- 3.3. Support the electrification of Local Public Transport Route Plans (LPTRP); and
- 3.4. Encourage public-private partnerships (PPPs) to foster investment in EVCS development.

Section 4. Procedures for the Integration of the CIDP in the Preparation of DDP. All DUs and other entities mandated to distribute electric power shall adhere to the following procedures in preparing their respective DDPs:

- 4.1. When filling out the “Customer and Consumption Data” sheet of the DOE-Electric Power Industry Management Bureau (EPIMB) DDP Form 2021-01-

001, the power supply requirements of EVCS must be incorporated into the demand and energy forecast under the "All Others" customer classification. A write-up on the CIDP shall be included in the Narrative Summary of the DDP. A sample excerpt of the write-up is attached as Annex A of this DC.

The energy requirements of EVCS shall be based on the technical specifications provided in the Monitoring and Operation Report Form (Annex G of DC No. DC2023-05-0011), as submitted to the DU by EVCS Providers.

- 4.2. Ensure the timely, effective, and accurate identification, scheduling, and implementation of necessary expansion, upgrading, and rehabilitation of the distribution system to accommodate the installation and operation of EVCS as part of their Capital Expenditure (CapEx) Projects.

Section 5. Provision of Electric Service for the Operation of EVCS. All DUs, the Transmission Network Service Provider (TNSP), and other entities mandated to provide electric power shall consider the following to ensure the provision of the necessary power requirements for the establishment and operation of EVCS:

- 5.1. For electric service applications submitted by the EVCS Providers, the TNSP and the DU shall act upon the same within twenty (20) working days, which may be extended to another twenty (20) working days, from receipt of complete requirements, in accordance with Rule VI, Section 26 (a) of the EVIDA-IRR. The concerned DU shall not unreasonably delay or otherwise obstruct the processing of such applications.
- 5.2. The projected load demand of the EVCS shall be analyzed to determine whether the existing transmission or distribution system can accommodate the additional load.

In case a system upgrade is deemed necessary, the responsible entity—either the TNSP or DU, as applicable—shall require the EVCS Provider to submit electrical plans duly signed and sealed by a licensed Professional Electrical Engineer. The responsible entity shall also provide a detailed breakdown of the estimated costs, including, but not limited to, labor, materials, and other related expenses for the system upgrade.

The TNSP or DU shall complete the load analysis and provide the corresponding cost estimates and technical details within twenty (20) working days, which may be extended to another twenty (20) working days, from receipt of the complete application and supporting documents, to ensure transparency and informed decision-making.

- 5.3. If the necessary system upgrade is not included in the approved CapEx plan, the DU or TNSP shall undertake the required upgrades at the expense of EVCS Providers and ensure the timely connectivity and operation of EVCS.

The DU or TNSP shall assume full operational responsibility and integrate the facilities into its respective system within twenty (20) working days, which may be extended to another twenty (20) working days, from the date of satisfactory completion of all testing procedures and submission of required documents.

Cost recovery shall be allowed through duly approved mechanisms of the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC), to the extent that the upgrades result in incidental benefits to the TNSP or DU, such as improved electric service reliability or increased capacity for existing customers.

The process flow chart and timelines for the processing of electric service applications are summarized and may be referred to in Annex B of this DC.

Section 6. EVCS Power Source. In securing the supply and delivery of electricity for the operation of EVCS, the EVCS Provider shall be allowed to choose the applicable power sourcing mode, subject to compliance with relevant laws, regulations, and technical requirements:

Power Sourcing Mode	Connection	Governing Rules	Demand Threshold	Delivery Voltage
<u>Directly Connected Customer (DCC)</u> <i>EVCS is directly connected to the transmission or sub-transmission assets under the ownership or control of the National Transmission Corporation (TransCo) or its concessionaire.</i>	Grid or Sub-transmission	• DC No. DC2025-04-0008	≥ 5 MW	≥ 69 kV
<u>Contestable Customer (CC)</u> <i>EVCS is connected to the distribution system and qualifies as a CC under the Retail Competition and Open Access (RCOA) framework. This allows the EVCS Provider to procure electricity from a Retail Electricity Supplier (RES).</i>	Distribution	• DC No. DC2017-12-0013 • DC No. DC2017-12-0014 • DC No. DC2019-07-0011 • DC No. DC2024-03-0009	≥ 500 kW	< 69 kV

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<u>Green Energy Option Program (GEOP)</u> <i>Allows eligible customers, including EVCS Providers, to procure electricity exclusively from renewable energy sources through Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) with renewable energy suppliers.</i>	Distribution	• DC No. DC2018-07-0019 • DC No. DC2020-04-0009	≥ 100kW	< 69 kV
<u>On-Site Net Metering</u> <i>A mechanism that allows an EVCS to generate electricity from on-site solar installations. Any excess electricity generated may be exported to the grid, with corresponding credits applied to the EVCS's electricity consumption in accordance with net metering rules.</i>	Distribution	• DC No. DC2020-10-0022 • DC No. DC2024-08-0025 • ERC Resolution No. 9, Series of 2013 2019- • ERC Resolution No. 6, Series of 2019 • ERC Resolution No. 5, Series of 2020	< 100 kW	< 69 kV
<u>On-Site Own Use</u> <i>EVCS produces its own electricity through on-site renewable or conventional generation sources. Standalone or microgrid setups are covered under this category.</i>	Standalone	• DC No. DC2022-05-0017 • DC No. DC2024-06-0018	Varies (typically ≤ 100 kW)	< 69 kV
<u>Hybrid</u>	Distribution + On-Site	Subject to applicable	Varies, based on	< 69 kV

Power Sourcing Mode	Connection	Governing Rules	Demand Threshold	Delivery Voltage
<i>A combination of multiple power sources, which may include on-site renewable energy systems, energy storage systems, and electricity drawn from the main distribution or transmission grid.</i>		rules on Net Metering, GEOP, Own Use, etc. based on system design	system design	

Any amendments, updates, or new issuances by the DOE and ERC that affect the applicable power sourcing modes, governing rules, or technical and regulatory requirements shall be deemed automatically incorporated into this Section and shall govern accordingly upon their effectivity.

Section 7. Process Streamlining. The requirements and timelines under this DC shall strictly conform with Section 9 of the EVIDA-IRR. The DOE, through the Energy Utilization Management Bureau (EUMB), shall issue implementing guidelines for the effective administration of this DC, including provisions for EVCS Providers sourcing power through a combination of different supply modes, as well as the corresponding requirements and implementation timelines: *Provided, That* the implementing guidelines shall only be issued after public consultation.

Section 8. Information, Education, and Communication Activities. Pursuant to Section 11 (e) of the EVIDA-IRR, the DOE shall develop and undertake a national awareness and advocacy program and pursue partnerships with relevant stakeholders for the appreciation of this DC.

Section 9. Prohibited Acts. Pursuant to Section 28 of the EVIDA, any person both natural or juridical—including EVCS Providers and their responsible officers and personnel, as well as DUs and other mandated entities—shall be subject to the imposition of penalties for violations of the following provisions:

- a. Non-compliance with Section 20 (Use of Charging Stations) of the EVIDA;
- b. Violation of Section 21(Permits) of the EVIDA;
- c. Violation of Section 22 (Duties and Responsibilities of Owners or Operators of Charging Stations) of the EVIDA; and
- d. Violation of Section 23 (Duties and Responsibilities of Distribution Utilities) of the EVIDA.

Section 10. Penalties. Upon determination that any person or entity has committed any of the prohibited acts in Section 9 of this DC, a fine ranging from a minimum of Fifty Thousand Pesos (P50,000.00) to a maximum of Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (P500,000.00) shall be imposed, as specified in Annex C.

Penalties may include the suspension or revocation of the EVCS Provider Accreditation or blocklisting under this DC. In the case of entities operating under a legislative franchise, the DOE may recommend the suspension or revocation of such franchise to the appropriate authority, such as Congress, in accordance with existing laws and procedures.

The imposition of fines is without prejudice to the penalties provided under existing laws, rules, and regulations prescribed by other concerned agencies.

Section 11. Amendment Clause. The DOE may revise, supplement, and issue related guidelines, circulars, and other subsidiary issuances as it deems necessary for the effective implementation of the various provisions of this DC.

Section 12. Repealing Clause. All circulars, orders, or issuances inconsistent with the provisions of this DC are hereby amended, modified, or superseded accordingly.

Section 13. Separability Clause. If for any reason, any section or provision of this DC is declared unconstitutional or invalid, such parts not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 14. Effectivity. This DC shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation. Copies of this DC shall be filed with the Office of the National Administrative Registrar (ONAR), UP Law Center, University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City.

Issued this AUG 12 2025 at DOE, Energy Center, Rizal Drive corner 34th Street Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City.


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Secretary



	Energy Utilization Management Bureau Quality Management System SAMPLE EXCERPT OF THE CIDP WRITE-UP FOR INCLUSION IN THE DDP NARRATIVE SUMMARY (ANNEX A)	Doc Ref No.:	EUMB-EVIMD-xx-xxxx
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Historical and Forecasted Consumption Data

	Non-Coincident Peak MW	MWh Offtake	MWh Transm'n Loss	MWh Residential	MWh Commercial	MWh Industrial	MWh Others	MWh Own Use	MWh System Loss
2000	92.5	538,341	13,418	232,273	104,934	18,933	33,251	594	134,938
2001	100.5	567,841	16,825	238,518	120,846	12,737	40,146	558	138,211
2002	109.8	620,331	14,634	262,066	139,042	11,965	45,632	508	146,484
2003	115.7	778,731	20,883	338,612	169,632	17,767	53,063	538	178,236
2004	121.6	821,316	22,798	360,156	180,595	18,964	56,216	566	182,021
2005	127.9	884,931	24,796	391,653	196,873	20,588	60,730	595	189,696
2006	134.4	942,214	26,295	421,055	212,394	21,990	64,719	625	195,136
2007	141.2	994,767	21,295	452,528	229,264	23,386	68,838	657	198,799
2008	148.2	1,059,870	22,561	486,706	247,804	24,806	73,187	689	204,117
2009	155.6	1,128,869	23,889	523,256	267,841	26,231	77,718	723	209,211
2010	163.2	1,201,928	25,278	562,306	289,434	27,670	82,456	758	214,026
2011	171.0	1,279,212	26,732	603,986	312,646	29,129	87,421	795	218,503
2012	179.2	1,360,877	28,245	648,429	337,546	30,614	92,637	832	222,574
2013	184.6	1,388,801	27,286	668,509	347,179	31,992	95,918	857	217,060
2014	191.7	1,446,971	27,833	702,989	365,865	33,425	100,321	890	215,649
2015	198.7	1,504,158	28,380	737,469	384,551	34,857	104,725	923	213,253
2016	205.8	1,560,385	28,927	771,949	403,238	36,289	109,128	955	209,899
2017	212.9	1,615,678	29,474	806,429	421,924	37,721	113,532	988	205,609
2018	219.9	1,670,058	30,021	840,909	440,611	39,154	117,935	1021	200,407
2019	227.0	1,734,286	30,568	875,389	459,297	40,586	122,339	1053	205,054
2020	234.0	1,798,259	31,115	909,869	477,984	42,018	126,742	1086	209,444
2021	241.1	1,861,976	31,662	944,349	496,670	43,451	131,146	1119	213,580
2022	248.2	1,925,440	32,209	978,829	515,357	44,883	135,549	1151	217,461
2023	255.2	1,988,652	32,756	1,013,310	534,043	46,315	139,953	1184	221,091
2024	262.3	2,049,368	33,303	1,047,790	552,730	47,748	142,356	1217	224,225
2025	269.3	2,136,738	33,850	1,082,270	571,416	49,180	168,760	1249	230,014
2026	276.4	2,201,089	35,568	1,118,513	590,343	50,574	171,771	1263	233,057
2027	283.5	2,262,134	36,251	1,153,213	609,059	52,006	174,783	1293	235,528
2028	290.5	2,322,938	36,934	1,187,913	627,775	53,438	177,795	1324	237,760
2029	297.6	2,383,503	37,617	1,222,613	646,491	54,869	180,807	1354	239,752
2030	304.6	2,443,832	38,300	1,257,313	665,206	56,301	183,818	1385	241,508
2031	311.7	2,503,924	38,983	1,292,013	683,922	57,733	186,830	1415	243,028
2032	318.8	2,563,783	39,666	1,326,713	702,638	59,164	189,842	1446	244,313
2033	325.8	2,623,408	40,349	1,361,413	721,353	60,596	192,854	1476	245,366
2034	332.9	2,682,801	41,032	1,396,114	740,069	62,028	195,865	1507	246,186
2035	339.9	2,741,964	41,715	1,430,814	758,785	63,460	198,877	1537	246,777

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The table above presents a consolidated summary of electricity consumption data across all sectors, namely, Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Others (which includes Public Buildings, Streetlights, and Electric Vehicle Charging Stations), and Own-Use. Among these, the Residential sector remains the largest consumer, accounting for more than 50.0% of the total MWh offtake.

With the ongoing promotion and adoption of electric vehicles (EVs), the increasing number of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (EVCS) is expected to drive energy sales growth of the Others sector. This growth will likely necessitate further network enhancements and infrastructure improvements to accommodate rising demand. In 2025, electricity consumption of the Others sector is projected to increase by 19%, a significant surge compared to its historical annual average growth rate of approximately 3% in the last five (5) years.

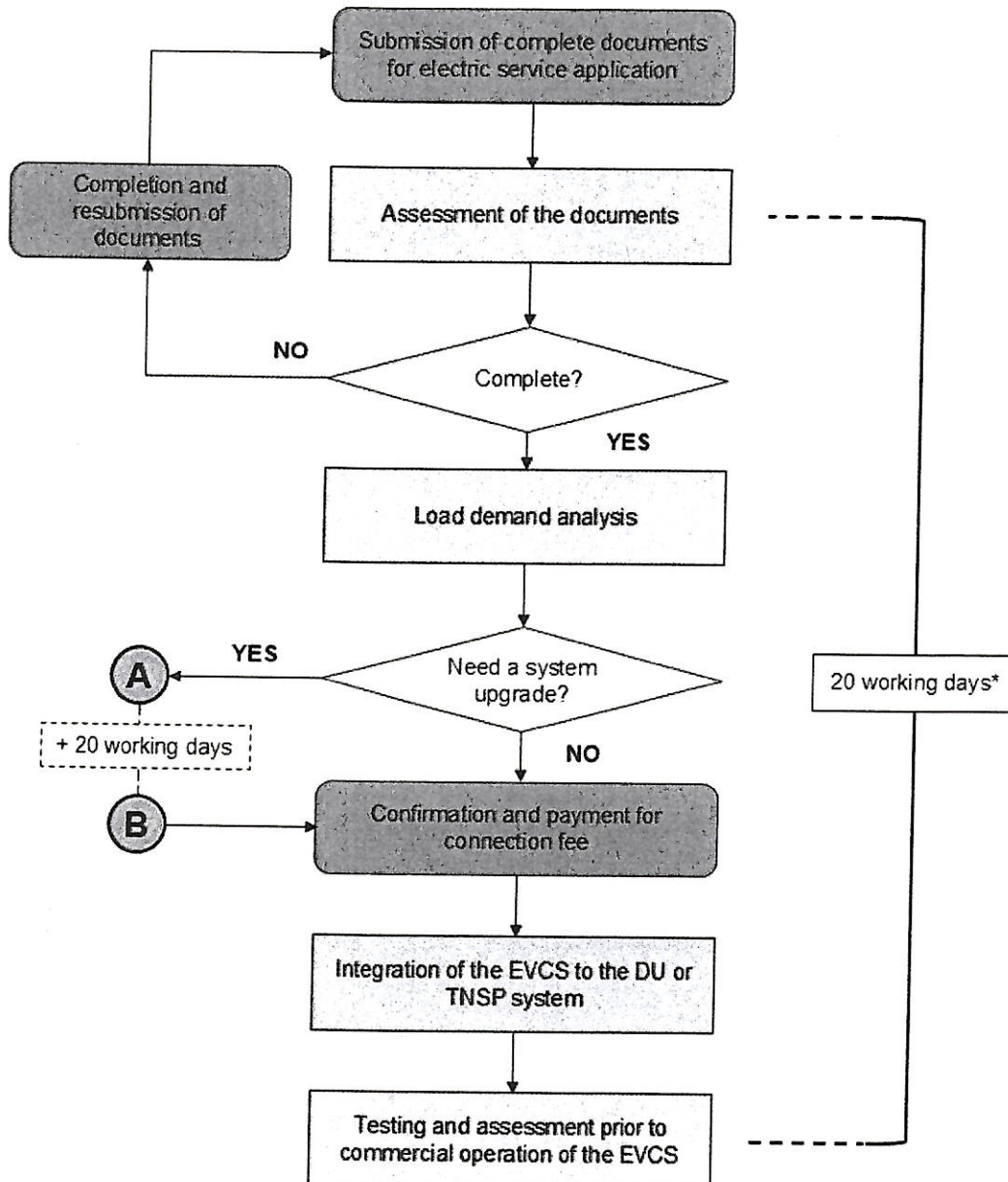
Note: The DUs may, as deemed applicable, provide additional discussions on CIDP in other parts of the DDP report.



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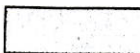


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DU or TNSP -



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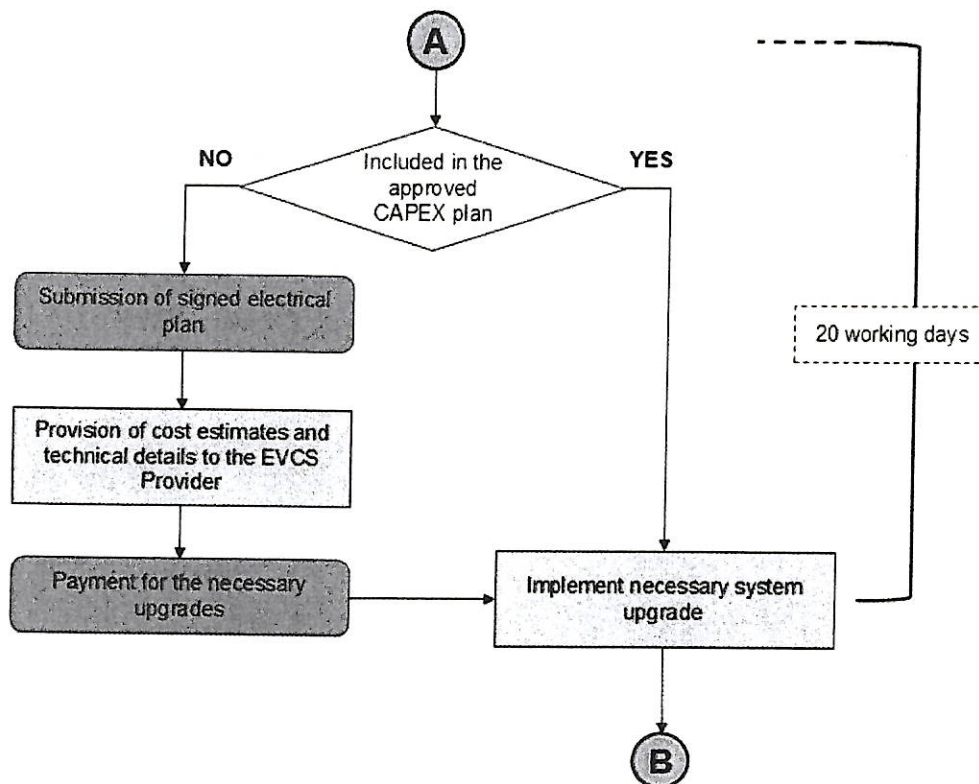
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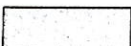
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The following shall be imposed as stated in Section 8 of the Charging Infrastructure Development Plan (CIDP) Guidelines with the corresponding prohibited acts and violations:

Offense	Penalties
Sections 21 of the EVIDA and 24 of the EVIDA-IRR: Rejecting, delaying, or obstructing electric service applications for the operation of electric vehicle charging stations (EVCS)	1 st Offense – Fine of <i>P50,000</i> with directive to comply immediately 2 nd Offense – Fine of <i>P250,000</i> with the directive to comply immediately 3 rd Offense – Fine of <i>P500,000</i> and suspension or revocation of permits issued
Sections 21 and 24 of the EVIDA and EVIDA-IRR, respectively: Failure to timely issue applicable permits for the installation and operation of EVCS	1 st Offense – Fine of <i>P50,000</i> with directive to comply immediately 2 nd Offense – Fine of <i>P250,000</i> with the directive to comply immediately 3 rd Offense – Fine of <i>P500,000</i> and suspension or revocation of permits issued
Sections 22 and 25 of the EVIDA and EVIDA-IRR, respectively: Failure to comply with the applicable rules, requirements, and standards for the construction, installation, and operation of EVCS	1 st Offense – Fine of <i>P50,000</i> with directive to comply immediately 2 nd Offense – Fine of <i>P250,000</i> with the directive to comply immediately 3 rd Offense – Fine of <i>P500,000</i> and suspension or revocation of permits issued
Sections 23 (a) and 26 (a) of the EVIDA and EVIDA-IRR, respectively: Failure to provide necessary power requirements for the establishment and operation of EVCS	1 st Offense – Fine of <i>P50,000</i> with directive to comply immediately 2 nd Offense – Fine of <i>P250,000</i> with the directive to comply immediately 3 rd Offense – Fine of <i>P500,000</i> and suspension or revocation of permits issued



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Offense	Penalties
Sections 23 (b) and 26 (b) of the EVIDA and EVIDA-IRR, respectively:	1 st Offense – Fine of <i>P50,000</i> with directive to comply immediately
Failure to prepare the Charging Infrastructure Development Plan (CIDP) and incorporate in the Distribution Development Plan (DDP)	2 nd Offense – Fine of <i>P250,000</i> with the directive to comply immediately 3 rd Offense – Fine of <i>P500,000</i> and suspension or revocation of permits issued

For further details, refer to Republic Act No. 11697 or the “*Electric Vehicle Industry Development Act (EVIDA)*” and the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA No. 11697.