



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING & REGULATORY BOARD
East Avenue, Quezon City

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 2021-077

SUBJECT: OPENING OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSOLIDATION ON ROUTES WITHOUT APPLICANT AS OF 31 MARCH 2021

WHEREAS, on 19 June 2017, Department Order No. 2017-011, otherwise known as “Omnibus Guidelines on the Planning and Identification of Public Road Transportation Services and Franchise Issuance” was issued by the Department of Transportation (DOTr), prescribing the rules and procedures on the issuance of franchises for public transport routes and services;

WHEREAS, one of the powers and functions of the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board under Executive Order No. 202 is to promulgate, administer, enforce and monitor compliance of policies, laws and regulations of public land transportation services;

WHEREAS, on different occasions, the Board has extended the deadline for Consolidation from 30 June 2020 to 31 December 2021 pursuant to Memorandum Circular No. 2020-027, which was subsequently extended until 31 March 2021 under Memorandum Circular No. 2020-084;

WHEREAS, peruse from the records of this office, considerable number of routes remained unfilled or without Application for Consolidation having filed despite the series of extensions;

WHEREAS, item I.B. of Memorandum Circular No. 2021-021 prescribes the guidelines on routes without Application for Consolidation having filed as of 31 March 2021;

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board that there are still interested operators who have consolidated into a legal entity but failed to file the Application for Consolidation prior to the deadline set by the Board;

WHEREAS, consistent to the objective of the Board in encouraging and helping the stakeholders to join and comply with the Public Utility Vehicle Modernization Program (PUVMP), the Board deemed it reasonable and equitable to allow consolidated entities to file Application for Consolidation for routes without Applicant as of 31 March 2021;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing, the Board hereby **OPENS** the Acceptance of Application for Consolidation until **31 MARCH 2022**, subject to the following:

I. COVERAGE

This MC shall only cover those **ROUTES WITHOUT APPLICANT OR FILED APPLICATION** with the LTFRB Central Office and Regional Franchising and Regulatory Offices as of 31 March 2021.

II. APPLICANTS

Only the following applicants are qualified to file an Application for Consolidation:

1. Those who have already consolidated into a legal entity, either as Corporation or Cooperative upon the effectivity of this MC; and
2. Those with filed and pending Application for Registration/Accreditation with proper agencies (i.e. Securities and Exchange Commission- for Corporation or Cooperative of the Philippines and Office of the Transport Cooperative- for Cooperatives) prior to the effectivity of this MC.

However, the Application for Consolidation shall only be accepted by the LTFRB if the Applicant is already registered as a legal entity and the same is filed not later than 31 March 2022.

Applicants not falling under the preceding paragraphs (paragraph 1 & 2) particularly those who are to consolidate yet, are deemed excluded in the coverage of this MC.

The Board shall issue a separate guidelines to govern the policy affecting those operators who failed to file an Application for Consolidation, including those routes without Applicant, after 31 March 2022.

All other issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed modified or superseded accordingly.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately following its publication in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation. Let three (3) copies hereof be filed with the UPLaw Center – Office of National Administrative Registrar (ONAR).

SO ORDERED.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THROUGH TELECONFERENCE
on 15 DEC 2021, Quezon City, Philippines

EFFECTIVITY
DATE: 20 DEC 2021

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