

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY GOVERNOR SUPERVISION AND EXAMINATION SECTOR

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. CL-2013- <u>03</u>2

To

All Banks

Subject

Accredited Rural Financial Institutions for the Purpose of

Implementing the Agri-Agra Reform Credit Act of 2009 Pursuant

to Circular No. 736 of 20 July 2011

Relative to the implementation of the Republic Act (RA) No. 10000 (The Agri-Agra Reform Credit Act of 2009) and in accordance with its Implementing Rules and Regulations and BSP Circular No. 736 dated 20 July 2011, the following banks are the BSP Accredited Rural Financial Institutions (ARFI) as of 7 June 2013 and thereby issued with the corresponding Certificate of Accreditation (CA) bearing an Accreditation Reference Number (ARN) unique to the ARFI:

<u>ARFI</u>	ARN of ARFI	Date of Accreditation
 Rural Bank of Kiamba, Inc. Producers Savings Bank Rural Bank of Barili (Cebu), Inc. Rural Bank of Sta. Catalina, Inc. Philippine Resources Savings Bank Corp. Rural Bank of Pilar (Bataan), Inc. Common Wealth Rural Bank, Inc. 	20120112-BSP-0001 20120201-BSP-0002 20120201-BSP-0003 20120312-BSP-0004 20120724-BSP-0007 20120919-BSP-0008 20121024-BSP-0009	26 January 2012 07 February 2012 01 February 2012 12 March 2012 25 July 2012 19 September 2012 24 October 2012
8. Rang-Ay Bank, Inc.	20130221-BSP-0010	21 February 2013

The accreditation issued by the BSP is solely for the purpose of certifying that the loan portfolio of the above listed ARFIs complies with the qualification requirements prescribed under the relevant law, rules and regulations. THE ACCREDITATION DOES NOT SERVE AS AN ENDORSEMENT BY THE BSP OF THE SAFETY AND SOUNDNESS OF THE ABOVE LISTED BANKS. The accreditation cannot be used for any purpose other than for implementing the provisions of the Agri-Agra Reform Credit Act of 2009 and its related rules and regulations.

Under existing regulations, the lending and/or investing bank is required to disclose in its Agri-Agra Report submitted to the BSP its exposure to the ARFI along with the corresponding ARN of said ARFI, should such lending and/or investing bank intend to utilize its exposure for agri-agra compliance. Such exposure to the ARFI shall be eligible for determining compliance with the agri-agra requirement for as long as the ARFI remains accredited with the BSP. Such accreditation is valid until sooner revoked for non-renewal or non-compliance with the qualification requirements prescribed under existing rules and

regulations. Hence, the above list of ARFIs and their corresponding ARNs are being issued for reference and guidance of lending and/or investing banks.

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