

**[PRC BOARD OF MARINE ENGINEER OFFICERS
RESOLUTION NO. 12, S. 1999, April 29, 1999]**

**REDUCING THE LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS FOR MOTOR
ENGINEERS FROM FOUR (4) TO ONCE (1) A YEAR**

WHEREAS, since 1997, the Board has been giving the licensure examination for Motor Engineers for four (4) times a year;

WHEREAS, for the year 1999, the examination for Motor Engineers is scheduled in January, April, July and October;

WHEREAS, for the years 1997 and 1998, including the first examination scheduled for January 1999, the number of examinees for every examination is as follows:

<u>Schedule of Examinations</u>	<u>No. of Examinees</u>
January 1997	1
March 1997	1
July 1997	3
November 1997	7
Jan/Feb. 1998	3
April 1998	4
July 1998	0
October 1998	1
January 1999	0

WHEREAS, the foregoing statistical data show that the number of examinees for every licensure examination for Motor Engineers is minimal compared to that in the other grades/levels of Marine Engineer Officers with hundreds or even thousands for each examination and

WHEREAS, the administration of licensure examinations becomes very costly if there are very few examinees and to save on much-needed resources, it is necessary to reduce the number of examinations for Motor Engineers from four (4) to one (1) examination a year it being shown by statistics that very few applicants are taking the examinations.

WHEREFORE, the Board resolved, as it hereby resolves, to request the Commission to reduce the number of licensure examinations for Motor Engineers from four (4) to one (1) examination a year effective year 2000, and to amend PRC Resolution No. 592, Series of 1998 (Schedule of Licensure Examinations for 1999) by cancelling the licensure examinations for Motor Engineers for April and October 1999.

Let copies of this Resolution be furnished the Commission for its information and appropriate action.