[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 227, April 03, 2000]

ADJUSTING THE DIVIDEND RATES OF SELECTED GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND/OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS ON THEIR 1996 NET EARNINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7656

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Republic Act No. 7656 provides that:

"Section 1. Declaration of Policy. It is hereby declared the policy of the state that in order for the National Government to realize additional revenues, government-owned and/or controlled corporations, without impairing their viability and the purposes for which they have been established, shall share a substantial amount of their net earnings to the National Government."

WHEREAS, to support the viability and mandate of government-owned and/or controlled corporations (GOCCs), the liquidity, retained earnings position and medium-term plans and programs of these GOCCs were considered in the determination of the reasonable dividend rates of such corporations on their 1996 net earnings;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5 of RA 7656, the Secretary of Finance recommended the adjustment on the percentage of annual net earnings that shall be declared by various GOCCs in the interest of national economy and general welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH E. ESTRADA, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The percentage of net earnings to be declared and remitted by the following GOCCs as dividends to the National Government as provided for under Section 3 of Republic Act No. 7656 is adjusted from at least fifty percent (50%) to the rates specified hereunder:

1.	Cebu Port Authority	15% (cash)
2.	Land Bank of the Philippines	30% (cash)
3.	Mactan Cebu International Airport Authority	10% (cash)
4.	Manila International Airport Authority	25% (cash)
5.	Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System	30% (cash)
6.	National Electrification Administration	15% (cash)