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MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 09-06-2020

TO : ALL CABLE TV OPERATORS IN THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT: ASSISTANCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ENSURE CONTINUITY OF PROVIDING QUALITY EDUCATION AMIDST THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The Department of Education (DepEd) is presently working to explore, develop and enhance various modes of learning and teaching modalities in order to ensure continuity of providing quality education amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. Relative to this, the DepEd is considering the use of Cable TV (CATV) networks and facilities for its distance learning initiative as an alternative mode for the delivery of quality basic education.

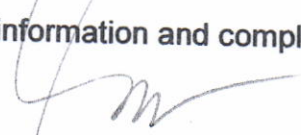
Recognizing the foregoing, the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC), as the government agency mandated to oversee the operation of cable television in the country, hereby reminds all Cable TV operators of the provisions of NTC Memorandum Circular No. 4-08-88, "REVISED RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEMS IN THE PHILIPPINES" specifically Section 6.3.2. Item c which states that:

"In addition to the signals such cable TV system is required to carry, an access channel should be provided to be used by the following entities for free, as a public service feature of the cable television system:

- a. National and local government (including military);*
- b. Health and welfare; and*
- c. Education, cultural and civic"*

Pursuant to the aforementioned NTC Memorandum Circular, and in order to realize the above objectives, all CATV operators in the Philippines are enjoined to assist and extend its support to the Department of Education on these initiatives.

For information and compliance.


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